

March 17, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Gould:

We are looking for a man to go to Point Barrow next summer to do two things: 1st, superintend the construction of the small hospital we are sending there, and, second, to help Dr. Spence in his missionary work.

(1) In order to superintend the construction of the hospital no great technical knowledge will be required. Any man who knows ordinary carpentry will do, inasmuch as the timbers will be all sawed and everything out ready to be put together before it leaves this country.

Mr. Arthur C. Eide of 3407 Genesee Street, Seattle, has written me wanting to be sent to Point Barrow. He is a Norwegian, has lived a good while in Alaska, is married to an Eskimo, who is a trained nurse. He is a candidate for the ministry, in the care of the session of Dr. Matthews' church. I have written him asking if he has had any experience along building lines, but have not yet heard from him.

(2) From what he says he has the requisite missionary zeal and Christian knowledge to make a good assistant to Dr. Spence. His wife being an Eskimo and speaking the language would be a great help.

Would it be too much trouble to have an interview with Mr. Eide and write us as soon as possible your impression of him.

We are hoping to see you here at the meeting of the Board April 22nd. I do not know whether you have returned from Los Angeles, but am taking it for granted that you will do so soon.

Remember me most kindly to all of your family.

Sincerely yours,

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JAM:ES

April 2, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Gould:

I have just sent a night letter to you in regard to material for the Point Barrow hospital and also asking you to make definite engagement with Mr. Eide. I enclose copy of a letter written some time ago to Eide, which will explain the situation from this end. Dr. Spence's salary at Point Barrow is \$2,000 a year. I had thought of offering Eide \$1,500. The employment of his wife had not suggested itself to me as I had supposed her time would be engaged for family duties. However, we might be able to allow her something if she would give her whole time to mission work in case Dr. Spence feels he needs her.

In regard to the hospital itself, we want your advice on two or three things.

First, where to order the lumber necessary for construction. The architect has been told by people here that the fir of the Pacific Coast is very expensive, to begin with, and that there is now no seasoned lumber there and that we ought to buy it either at Chicago or in the South somewhere in order to secure thorough seasoning. The architect says that if green lumber should be put in and then contract up in that cold climate it would be impossible to heat the building. He thinks the seasoning is the most important factor in the whole situation. I told him about you, that I felt sure you would be able to give wise advice on that.

We also wanted your advice in regard to getting the whole thing ready for shipment to Point Barrow, seeing that everything was delivered and put on board in good fashion. Could Eide attend to that under your general supervision? We have not yet contracted with anybody to take the hospital. Liebes and Co. of San Francisco have a ship sailing for Point Barrow May 15th, but that is too soon to get the material ready. Furthermore, ships cannot get in to Point Barrow generally until the first of August and there is no use of hauling the stuff all over the Behring Sea to other points before taking it to Point Barrow if we can get a boat that will go direct to the Arctic Ocean. Capt. Backlund used to do very satisfactory work for the Board, and I have wondered if he could be secured to go up there this year. I wired him a day or so ago, but he may not yet have returned from the South Pacific. If you could find out about him it would be a great accommodation to us.

The hospital will be 70 by 40 feet and 2 stories high. It will have to have about three plies of weather boarding, roofing and flooring, so you see there will be quite a lot of lumber besides the brick and other material. Furthermore, it will be necessary to send at least two years of supplies in order to provide against failure, on account of ice conditions, to reach

there the following summer. We ought to send up 25 or 30 tons of coal and then arrange to take on twice as much more at Wainwright. Mr. Eide has written me that he would go on the ship that carries the hospital and these supplies.

We will be glad to see you at the meeting of the Board. Things have gone on fairly well this winter despite the hard work laid on us by the New Era and the Interchurch. The New Era Movement has caused a good deal of delay in the receipt of funds at the close of the year. We are much ahead of last year, but cannot determine just how much because the receipts from the New Era are not all in yet.

Remember me kindly to all of your family. With every good wish,
I am

Sincerely yours,

JAMES

I enclose copy of telegram.

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J. A. GOULD, CHAIRMAN,

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Seattle, April 6, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

Your wire of April 1st was not delivered until yesterday. The Postal Telegraph is very slow out on the coast, not nearly as prompt as the Western Union. I am sending you a wire today, a copy of same is enclosed herewith, which you no doubt will have long before you get this letter.

Mr. Eide is sure that we can get a boat if not from Seattle to take our whole cargo, we can get one from Nome; in fact, he has got a line up on a man already who wants more cargo. The first thing that they will ask us will be the tonnage of the cargo so that they will know how much space will be needed. He advises that no man be sent from Seattle to build this hospital. We will have to pay at least \$10.00 a day for a carpenter and all his expenses, and we might have to do this all winter until another boat went in there. He is sure that the local help with what he can do, they can put this hospital as well as to send a man from here. He claims that the local help built most of the buildings already at Pt. Barrow. To pay the local help, we would have to pay them in goods, as they do not want any money up there, but want goods, and he does not anticipate that it will cost over \$2.00 a day for them to do the work. We can get the material cheaper in Seattle than we can in Chicago, for the very good reason that all the Fir timber is shipped from Seattle to Chicago, and prices here are much lower. We have the largest finishing and some of the largest lumber plants on the Pacific Coast. All of our lumber is dry kilned that is shipped out, if it is necessary to have it dry kilned; and any kind of windows or doors can be manufactured in Seattle or Everett that is needed. He would have to have the blue prints, plans, specifications, and the list of material wanted, so that we could submit them to some of our manufacturing plants. As to getting up to Nome and on to Point Barrows, we can arrange to have material shipped right to Pt. Barrows, or else to Nome and have it picked up by the boat for Pt. Barrows along about the 1st of July. Another thing Mr. Eide is quite confident that you don't need a trained nurse up there for the first year while his wife is there, as there would be no place for her to stay, until the buildings were built, and Mrs. Eide being a trained nurse herself is confident that she can take care of the hospital just as well as a trained nurse could do. I am leaving for the Board meeting on Wednesday afternoon, the 14th, and to get back to Seattle

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REV. JOHN A. MARQUIS, D. D. GEN. SEC'Y.
156 FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK

REV. B. P. FULLERTON, D. D. WESTERN SEC'Y.
705 ODD FELLOWS BLDG., ST. LOUIS

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Seattle,

on the 26th of April. I can arrange that while I am gone ,
this matter can be attended to, if you desire; and in answer to
this letter, I doubt very much whether it will reach ~~you~~ before
I leave the 14th. If anything is needed before I get back, you
can wire me any time up until noon the 13th. I can explain the
matter more thoroughly when I see you in New York at the Board
meeting.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

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Seattle, April 7, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

APR 26 1920

I received your wire of yesterday that you would like to have Eide come to New York and see the architect and talk the matter of the hospital over with him. I immediately sent a messenger after Eide and arranged for him to leave Seattle tomorrow. Bought him his roundtrip ticket and gave him \$50.00 to start on his trip and he will arrive in New York on Tuesday forenoon on the Broadway Limited. I believe that that is the wisest thing to do. You will find Mr. Eide a well informed man and he can tell you all about this Alaska business better than any man I know of. He is ready to go at once and do anything we want him to. Besides he can give the Board a fund of information they will find to be correct. I have taken up the question of a boat for Pt. Barrows. The steam schooner "Olga" will touch at Teller about July 1st to 6th. They can take on all the stuff we have for Pt. Barrows for 100 ton weight; and it is only 4 days from Teller to Pt. Barrows in decent weather, and he assures me he will get there in any event. Furthermore, he will be willing to make another trip along in August, if we have sufficient cargo to justify making another trip. His boat is a 200 ton capacity. He says the correct way to do this, is to ship all of our supplies and what we want to go there to Teller by one of the regular boats, so that it will get there by July 1st and give him plenty of time to load and get out on his trip. He further assures me he has cabin room sufficient for Mr. and Mrs. Eide and family. Before he leaves tomorrow for New York, we will have the data about the boat to Teller, so that he will be fully informed about that as well. The captain of the Olga tells me that the rate will be \$23.50 per ton, or less, for 15,000 ft. lots of lumber. However, Mr. Eide can explain all this to you when he is with you in New York. I expect to arrive in New York myself on Tuesday morning the 20th. If it is necessary and could be arranged, if you thought best, it might be well to hold him until I get there and we can go over it fully together. You will have to keep him there a couple of days in any event, and I wish to assure you that I am willing to do anything I can to help in this matter. Should anything arise in regard to above while I am away, and before I get back here in Seattle April 26th, it can be at-

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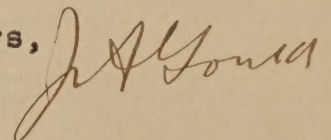
Seattle,

tended to at my office here. If Mr. Eide can bring back the specifications and plans we will have plenty of time to get the lumber and all the supplies assembled and have them put up in good shape, both lumber and all supplies you wish to send up there. Because at the outside, we can get this lumber out as desired and in the quantities and sizes that is needed here in Seattle. Mr. Eide can explain all this to you and when I can get there, you can go over all the data I have as well, so as to make the trip and movement of material to Pt. Barrows a success.

I am sorry to say that Mrs. Gould's memory is very much more poorer than when I saw you; in fact it requires the attention of my cousin Mrs. Harvey all the time. But I rejoice that her general health is good and she has a good appetite and sleeps well, and is fairly good natured. She has "visions" continually of people and things that she sees in the mirror, and otherwise, but nothing serious however.

Remember me to Mrs. Marquis and your daughter.

Very truly yours,



April 21, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Gould:

Will you please look after the following items for the Board in connection with the construction of a hospital for Point Barrow:

1. Order and have cut the lumber to go into the hospital in accordance with the architect's specifications.
2. Order the furniture and supplies for the hospital in accordance with the architect's specifications.
3. Through Mr. Lopp secure such drugs and supplies as the Government is ready to furnish.
4. Purchase and have shipped to Point Barrow 30 tons of good coal.
5. Arrange to have the boat get the coal and other supplies left at Pt. Hope last summer to Point Barrow and take it on to destination.
6. Arrange for 150 tons of coal at Wainwright.
7. Arrange for the shipment of all of the above to Point Barrow, attending to freight, insurance, etc.

You are also authorized to draw on the Board for the necessary amount to take care of these items.

Very sincerely yours,

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Seattle,

April 27th, 1920.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

My Dear Dr. Marquis:

I am sending you by night wire a request for prompt action on the plans and specifications on the hospital building by the architect. He promised to get them right out when I was there, but for fear he has not done so, I am wiring you to hurry them up.

I have a letter from the Captain of the Steam Schooner Olga that he will be ready to give you all the space in his boat if necessary, for the first trip, and then take care of the balance on the next trip. His boat carries about 200 tons and until I get the specifications and plans, I cannot figure out the exact amount. I am trying to wire him through the United States Signal Corps of Seattle. Anyway it is left open on account of having promised him the shipment in any event. I have already seen Mr. Carroll of the Alaska Steamship Company about taking the shipment to Teller. He will let me know by Thursday what boat. He has made reservztion for 175 tons for us, so that we are pretty well fixed in that line.

I went to see Mr. Lopp and he has not returned yet to Washington but they expect him also in on Thursday. I am seeing Mr. Lopp to get further information in regard to the last boat out from that point.

As for a carpenter to go up there, my son and Mr. Keeler had already found the man that would just fit in on this job, and I was fortunate enough to know this contractor myself. He is a capable, efficient man and will take charge in assembling the material and getting it onto the dock as it will need pretty close watching and considerable speed to get everything ready in time for the boat to take it to Teller. I showed him the blue prints and he didn't think it was necessary for him to go to New York to see the architect to have the matter explained, as he could interpret the plans and specifications with the blue print, like any other good contractor could do and we are waiting now for the plans and specifications to get to work quick on this job. This man is Mr. M. A. Brown, 2306 North 54th. Street, Seattle, phone Kenwood 1440. He is a contractor and builder. What he wants as a con-

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Seattle,

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D., #2.

Send to Mr. Brown
tractor is \$10.00 a day while in Seattle assembling and getting the material ready for shipment, but when he goes to Alaska he would want \$10.00 a day and his expenses. Now his idea is about as we talked it ourselves, to go up with this material and stay there as long as he could before the last boat out, which might be thirty days, and then he can come out on this boat. In the meantime while he was there, he would get it far enough advanced so that Mr. Eige and his Eskomos could finish it. It might be necessary to send an extra man from here so as to get the work well completed before they left.

I can form a better opinion of this after we see Mr. Lopp and find out how long a time Mr. Brown could have up in Pt. Barrow. This is the best that I can suggest at the present time, only be sure and hurry along the plans and specifications and all the requisitions that you have for goods to be shipped from Seattle.

I am,

Brown could come out by sled in time to take last boat from Nome - Oct 25 - Nov 1
Sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

P. S. I am enclosing a copy of Captain Allan's letter just received and also copy of my reply.

COPY.

Unalaska,

April 20, 1920.

Mr. Gould,
624 Leary Bldg.,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry that I did not see you before I left Seattle for Unalaska to discuss more about that freight to Pt. Barrow.

As I explained to you before my idea would be to ship it to Teller, there I could pick it up and deliver it to Pt. Barrow.

The charge for hauling and all handling (loading and unloading on the beach above high water mark would be sixty dollars per ton on everything.

The coal to be carried from Wainwright to Pt. Barrow would cost thirty dollars per ton including all handling from the beach at Wainwright to the beach above high water mark at Barrow.

I will include passage of Mr. Eide and family free of charge in the event I haul your freight.

If you arrange your freight so I can get it at Teller August 1st., I will give you all the space of the boat, I can leave my outfit behind for the next trip.

Hoping this meets your approval, I remain

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) Alexander Allan,

Nome, Alaska.

April 27th, 1920.

Captain Alexander Allan,
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor of April 20th. from Unalaska. I am acting upon your suggestion to ship all the material for the hospital and other supplies to Teller by the Alaska Steamship Company. I am not sure which boat it will be that will take it. Mr. Carroll is not sure either, but will let me know in a few days.

As to the price you name, this is perfectly satisfactory to our people as I take it that is the regular rate. In my opinion there will be close on to 150 tons shipped to Teller, as we are shipping 30 tons of coal from Seattle for this first trip, and the Board wants you to gather up the coal and other supplies left at Port Hope last summer and take that also to Pt. Barrow and then they want 150 tons of coal to be taken at Wainwright also to Pt. Barrow.

We will send a carpenter along with the shipment from Seattle in addition to Mr. Eide and his family and we would like to make a reservation for a regular hospital nurse, a young lady going to Pt. Barrow to work in the hospital so I take it for granted that you can arrange it some way in order to take those two extra persons along.

We were discussing with Mr. Brown the proposition of his coming out after he got to Pt. Barrow this fall. Would there be any possibility of him catching a boat say thirty days after you landed him there this fall, as he does not desire to stay there through the winter? Of course he can go to work on the hospital just the minute that you get there and while you are unloading the supplies, and then while you are going back to Wainwright for the coal and bringing it in, would give him possibly fifteen or twenty days to work and get the building well started and leave Eide to complete it. Mr. Eide assured me that he could get all the Eskimos we could get around the building, to work there to help put the building together. Mr. Eide hasn't arrived yet from New York. I expect him also on Thursday.

As soon as I have a conference with Mr. Lopp and a further conference with the Alaska Steamship Company, I will write you further. I am trying to reach you by cable through the United States Signal Corps Office, because we do not want to make any mistake about getting this shipment in and do not want to have any fall down on our part.

I am

Very truly yours,

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J. A. GOULD, CHAIRMAN,

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Seattle,

April 30th, 1920.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I sent you a wire a couple of days ago, that the Schooner Olga would be ready to take the material and supplies to Teller as soon as the ice permits, and asking that details and specifications of everything connected with building, and the requisitions for the other materials that you wish to send up there, would be sent to me without delay. Especially, we want a detailed list of the material needed as we have to put it in the mill to have them get it out quickly. I went to see the Alaska Steamship Company again and they assured me that there would be no doubt but that I could count on them to take all the material to Teller before the Olga could leave. I also saw Mr. Lopp of the Alaska Bureau of Education and there are several things he told me that looked like a question mark. He informed me that he did not think Mr. Eige could do this work, that he probably could help and would work hard to do all he could and that it would take the biggest share of the winter to do this work.

He wanted to know where the nurse was going to live while she was at Pt. Barrow until this building was completed, that there were not much accommodations there, and he intimated that in his opinion it would not be necessary for her for nursing any sick people before next year, but he did not know he said, and I expect you have had this all arranged with Dr. Spence.

He also looked up the data of the Schooner Olga and he is quite confident that it cannot take 200 tons at one trip, but he informed me that there was no other boat he knew of that would go up to Pt. Barrow this year, except the Olga, that the Captain of the Olga is a very reliable man and will do what he says he will do.

Now I have employed Mr. Brown to take the blue prints we have already received to immediately work them out and make out the bill of lumber so that we can go ahead and get the mills started on getting this out, but we should have the architect's list so as to check up on the figures of the carpenter. Mr. Brown says that he can figure it out from the blue prints which he is doing, and will try and have a bill of lumber made out from the blue prints, but all of the plumbing and heating plant, he has not enough data to look after them until we get further word from Mr. Wald.

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Seattle,

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D. #2.

Mr. Brown's salary, as I wrote you before, will be \$10.00 per day. We could hire a scrub carpenter at less money but we can bet on Mr. Brown while we couldn't bet on the scrub carpenter. He commenced yesterday on this job.

As I am going to the General Assembly, leaving here on the 14th. or 15th. of May, I am anxious to get as much of this out of the way before I leave, as possible. However, the matter can be attended to through my office and Mr. Keeler's office, in conjunction with Mr. Brown, the carpenter, as I have already got the reservations for the freight. The only thing is to get busy and get to work on assembling this material and the supplies needed.

I sent a wire to Unalaska to Captain Allan, a copy of which I enclose herewith.

Awaiting your further commands, I am

Very truly yours,

J. A. Gould

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Seattle,

May 1st, 1920.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

Referring to our conversation while I was in New York in regard to a stenographer for the work in Seattle, for the benefit of the Home Board, I make a list of the needs for this stenographer.

To begin with, we have two Assistant Superintendents in this Synod, Rev. Mr. Keeler, and Rev. Mr. Thomson and both under the charge of the Home Board, and the Synod Committee, Mr. Thomson located at Spokane and Mr. Keeler at Seattle. Mr. Keeler has five of the large Presbyteries on the West Side, and Mr. Thomson has four Presbyteries that cover much more territory but not so many churches. Mr. Thomson has the privilege of using the stenographer of the First Church of Spokane, and makes his headquarters at home or at the Y. M. C. A., but does his correspondence from the First Church. They give him this stenographic service free of expense. It is nothing like the work of Mr. Keeler. For the next two months, to do justice to his work, Mr. Keeler would require about \$20.00 or more per month to take care of the work of his office alone.

Dr. George T. Gunter was made Chairman of the Home Mission Committee of our Presbytery of Seattle at the meeting of Presbyteries last month. He is Pastor of the Westminster Church and has a large amount of work of his own. He takes the place of Rev. W. C. Forbes as Chairman, and he took this with a great deal of misgivings as to the amount of work and correspondence he had to do. He was assured by Mr. Keeler and myself that if he would take the position, we would help him out in every way we could. Mr. Keeler has an office across the street from my office and is made the headquarters for all of his work and any work of our Presbytery. The rent of this office and his phone rent has been arranged for by the Presbyteries of Central Washington and Seattle, and cost the two Presbyteries something like \$200.00. They pay it and do not ask anything out of the Board for so doing. Mr. Gunter's correspondence will be large and the details in getting out his memorandums to the churches will require a great deal of his attention for the next two or three months. You know our Presbytery of Seattle is the most important one in the Synod of Washington, and we will have to help him out some way on his correspondence. It will not be very much but it will be something and it will relieve him to a certain extent of a lot of correspondence.

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Seattle,

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D. #2.

The Synod, at the request of Dr. Montgomery and Dr. Fullerton placed to a certain extent, the Lumber Camp work of our Synod under my supervision, with the understanding that I could use the two field workers if I needed them, at any time in this work. We have already some thirteen or fourteen Lumber Camp men, all of whom make reports to me and to the Western Office, and all of the requests and desires of these field workers generally come through my hands to be O'K'd or refused. They are a good bunch of men and we try to make them contented but it requires a great deal of stenographic work.

The Pt. Barrow hospital and work that you were passing through my office, will need a great deal of correspondence in my opinion, and a great deal of stenographic work by reason of the Superintendent of the building, Mr. Brown, requiring duplicate copies for all the different materials that have to be supplied, so that we can have the proper specifications to submit to the bidders.

The stenographer will be located in Mr. Keeler's office for her headquarters, as my office is a little small and I would rather not have her in the office, except to do my work which she can just come across the street to attend to. Besides, it keeps Mr. Keeler's office open for the benefit of Mr. Keeler's work.

This does not include any of the work of the Synod by virtue of my being Chairman of the Synod Home Mission Committee. The work for the Synod, until the last of July, will be quite heavy, as under our Synod plan the different field workers and Presbytery Home Mission Committees have to furnish me a report and I will have to tabulate the report and furnish it to all the Chairmen, besides I have to send out a copy of the amount of money paid by each church as offerings to the Home Board during the past year. We contemplate making a great effort at the July meeting of our Synod to get pledges sufficient to pay for all of our Home work in the Synod that the Board puts up the money for. All this requires a great deal of work and I am not in shape to pay this individually.

Now this work should be paid for out of the different departments of the Home Board. \$20.00 to \$25.00 per month should be taken out of the field worker's allowance, a part should come out of the Logging Camp Department, part out of the Synod work, and no doubt part of this should come out of the Alaska work by virtue of the Pt. Barrow hospital. The salary of the stenographer, if she is any good, should be at least \$75.00 per month. I had one since I got back and her work I had to send back and recopy which all cost money, and I don't want any more such workers, but we can get one sufficient

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Seattle,

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D. #3.

For our work for \$75.00 per month. We may be able to cut down this amount after July 31st. by reason of the Pt. Barrow work which will be out of the way, as well as the Synod work which will be off my hands the next three or four months, unless the Synod and the Western Office find something more to keep me busy.

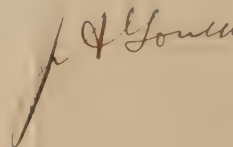
Now I want you to understand that under no consideration do I want any fees or anything for my work, because I have always done my church work without any compensation and for the good of the cause, and when I cannot donate my time for the different branches, I will quit before I will take anything for my time or my work. This stenographer we have already got in our office, because I have been loaded down with so much work since I came home, that we have already engaged this stenographer, beginning May 1st.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Fullerton, so that he will be wise to what I am doing. Anyway I have got to have a stenographer for the next two months, if I take care of this work, and I am not a quitter and can pay it myself rather than to throw up the job until after our Synod meets.

As I am a commissioner to the General Assembly, I expect to leave Seattle for Philadelphia on the 14th. and I will be very much pleased to have this arranged, and word passed back to me before I leave. The stenographer will be needed as much or more while I am away, than while I am here, because there will be so much more to be referred to my office that will have to be taken care of through Dr. Gunter, Mr. Keeler, and my son. I wish to say this for my son, that he is one of the principal men in our Evangelistic work in this Synod, so that the work will not lag any while I am away.

With best wishes, and assuring you that I shall be glad to meet you at the Synod, I am

Sincerely yours,



MAY 8 - 1920

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Seattle,

May 3rd, 1920.

Dr. John A. Marquis,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I am sorry to trouble you with mail while you are in the hospital, but there are certain things of which you should be advised. The carpenter and builder that I have gotten to get the material out for the hospital, Mr. Brown, works on it very diligently, and he is quite sure that that building could never be built and completed by Mr. Eide, and I am using my influence to the utmost to have him go to Alaska and have him put this building up. With the help that he can get and which cannot be done and completed fully, inside of ten or twelve months, and could not be completed in any event with Mr. Eide looking after it, because it is quite a building and the architect insists that a competent man should put it up and not have the work bunched by anyone that is not capable of doing the work, so if I can get Mr. Brown to go there, I will feel perfectly easy that the work will be attended to as desired by Mr. Waid, the architect.

I have had several conference with Mr. Lopp and he is quite sure that there would be no need of your sending a nurse up there this year, for the reason that you will not be in shape to handle the work before another year comes around, and the nurse could not be used to any kind of advantage at the present time. Besides, he has some doubts about how you can accommodate this nurse until the building is completed, which will be quite late in the season, and if Mr. Brown goes up there to attend to this work, he does it only on the theory that he will take Mrs. Brown with him, as they are alone and have no children to interfere with them.

We have not gotten full details and estimates from Mr. Waid, but he promises them to us in the next mail. I am sending you copy of my letter to Mr. Waid, and as soon as I get further information, that will be given us by the specifications and quantity lists which we are expecting by early mail, I will write you again. I regret to say that Mr. Lopp is of the opinion that the boat which I have gotten and which seems to be the only one that can be had at all, will not be able to carry as much material as we anticipated, but I believe that we can get it all into this boat but may have to make a second trip to Teller to do it. That can be taken up later.

I am,

Very truly yours,

J. A. Gould

May 3rd, 1920.

IN RE POINT BARROW HOSPITAL, ALASKA.

Mr. D. E. Waid,
1 Madison Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor of April 27th. and also received the three sets of blue prints some days ago. After going over these blue prints myself, I feel that I have undertaken a pretty big job to get the material and everything started for Alaska.

To begin with, I have secured the services of Mr. H. A. Brown whose home address is 2306 North 54th. Street, Seattle. I put him to work on the blue prints that you sent us and he has already made out the bill for the dimension lumber and has been around to see about the other material, waiting for the specifications and quantity lists for all of the material that you are sending me. After talking with Mr. Side, I am sure that he did not realize the work to be done or the ability of the man to do the work, so I have made arrangements as above stated, to get Mr. Brown to look after this whole matter, with my help here in Seattle.

We are short on time and will have to make a great effort to get the material all out before we have to ship it and so are waiting very patiently for the specifications and quantity lists and all the other matter that is to be looked after. I am trying to get Mr. Brown and I think I will be successful, to go along with the shipment to Point Barrow and stay there during the year to complete it. He is quite sure that there is enough work there for two or three good men to at last pretty nearly one whole year as everything will have to be done up at Point Barrow without any outside help, except a few Eskimos that can drive a nail and that is about all they can do, but if we can get Mr. Brown, we need not worry any more about the work being done in good shape, for he is well qualified for the work.

As to sending Mr. Brown back to New York after he gets the orders all in and provided for, he contemplates being as much of the work here in mechanical form as he can, before he ships. If he has time, he could still go to New York and confer with you.

We have had a lengthy conference with Mr. Lopp, the representative of the Government in Alaska, who has given us some very valuable information. Of course Mr. Side, his information is good what there is of it, but he is not a mechanic. He might build a small shed but not anything of any importance, but he can help where we have

Mr. D. E. Waide, #2.

a good man to attend to the building.

As soon as we get your details, I will have Mr. Brown look them over and he will write you fully as to his success in getting the ordered filled here.

Trusting that you have sent the specifications, etc. before this, I am

Very truly yours,

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June 19, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

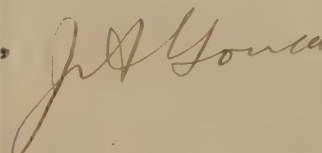
Dear Dr. Marquis:

The Steamer "Valdez" is supposed to leave Seattle with the Pt. Barrow hospital supplies along about Tuesday of next week, and the Steamer "Victoria" is scheduled to sail on July 1st. This is the steamer on which the Pt. Barrow people are to go north to Nome, but I understand they have been delayed by ice in the harbor at Nome, so the boat will be a few days later than July 1st in leaving Seattle - but this is not what I am writing you about.

It is this: I have had such a strenuous time with the Pt. Barrow and Lumber Camp work and other Church matters, that I am going to take a vacation, beginning July 1st, of ten days, before our Synod meets, by going to Glacier National Park with the whole Gould family. We expect to have a fine time the ten days I am absent, and then I will stop at Spokane as I come back, for a conference with the Lumber Camp men on July 10th, and at the Synod of Washington on July 13th, at Coeur d'Alene. If anything turns up that needs my attention, it will be forwarded to me at Spokane. I have got so much Pt. Barrow into my system that I must go somewhere to recuperate, so that I can keep on living.

I am

Very truly yours,



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June 25, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Mr. Gould:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 19th which has just reached my office. I note the arrangements you have made for the lumber camp men of your synod and am looking forward with great pleasure to meeting them.

My plan is to reach Chicago Wednesday afternoon, July 7th, and to leave there by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul at 10:45, which ought to bring me into Spokane early Saturday morning. The official of the railroad informed me here that the trains are running with considerable regularity, so that I hope to be able to get into Spokane in time to clean up and be ready for your conference Saturday noon.

I shall be glad to remain with you as long as I possibly can, but I am due in Eugene, Oregon, on the 13th of July. I shall have to leave Spokane in time to make that appointment. I will trust to you to see that my arrangements are made so that I can reach Eugene in proper time.

I fear I will not be able to attend the opening meeting of your synod. However, if this is at all possible I would be glad to do it. At the present time it looks as though I would have to keep my schedule. It seems a great pity to me to be out so far and not to speak to your synod, but if by any possible arrangement I can rearrange the program I will do so. I will write at once to Dr. King, asking him if it would be possible for me to remain over to speak to your synod on the evening of the 13th. In order to save time I shall ask Dr. King to write you direct, as well as to write me, what the possibilities are of this arrangement.

Looking forward to being with you, I am, with warmest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington
July 10, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Marquis:

I have done everything I can in connection with the shipments to Pt. Barrow. The material has all gone forward on the Steamer "Valdez" to Teller and the people going to Pt. Barrow leave this coming week for Nome and Teller. I also aided Dr. Condit as much as possible in getting Dr. Greist, wife and child arranged for to go to Cape Prince of Wales.

Now as I am about to leave for a two weeks vacation and a few days at the Synod Committee meeting that begins at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on July 13th, I would like to make a few comments which may not be in good taste for a man that is not very well.

Prince of Wales
~~Point~~ The sending of the people that have been sent to ~~Pt. Barrow~~ by the New York office has been the greatest mistake that possibly could be made. Of course I remember Mr. Banks' wire, that if possible we were to turn them back, if not advisable to send them forward, but the trouble is, Dr. Marquis, that these people have letters from your office that would subject us to a big bill of damages, if we sent them back. To begin with, Dr. S. Hall Young has written some very lurid, wild letters about the great possibilities at Cape Prince of Wales. He wrote Dr. Greist that if he went there they would pay him \$2500.00 and expenses; that it was a great opening for work, that there were 500 or more Eskimos at that one point and that there are several more points that can be reached; that he would be given a steam launch to go up and down the Coast and go over to Siberia, and several such statements as that, which are absolutely false and could not be carried out. There are only 186 natives at Cape Prince of Wales, and there are only two other points that could possibly be reached, that have a few residents - and these places cannot be reached unless the weather is favorable. Now, Dr. Greist is so deaf that he can hear only in one ear and that very poorly. His wife is even worse and they have a child about four years of age that has run wild all his life, and sets a

very bad example, and I anticipate that we shall have trouble with the Bureau of Education by sending Dr. Griest to that point. Dr. S. Hall Young is not in very good form with the Bureau of Education on account of some things he was guilty of some time ago. We could not turn Dr. Griest back because he had sold out his business, closed up his affairs at home and shipped his goods to Seattle by express in my care. He will not be at Cape Prince of Wales more than a year in any event, and I cannot understand why a man like Dr. Griest should be sent there, when he cannot make good, without first seeing him and talking the matter over, looking him over also, before he sold out and was ready to start. Dr. Griest has some very peculiar ideas and has had some very strong letters from Dr. S. Hall Young about the things he can do and what the Board will do for him. I would not be surprised if the Board is liable for damages on account of S. Hall Young's representations to Dr. Griest. This leads me to say that if Dr. S. Hall Young is permitted to do this kind of business, we might as well quit trying to do anything in Alaska, if he has anything to do with that work. You will have to put a stop to his writing letters, if possible, about going to Alaska. It has already cost us thousands of dollars without any good resulting from some of his performances, and I cannot understand why \$3000.00 salary was given him to do this kind of business. It simply is a great waste of money, unless he is paid as a propagandist to go out and collect money for Alaska work. This matter should be taken up with the Board and some other arrangements made at once. Dr. Young should not be allowed to write on the Board's stationery and have his name appear thereon, with authority to bind the Board. He is regarded as a joke out here and in Alaska, but that does not help the situation in any way. I would recommend and shall ask that you see to it that any further business in Alaska, regarding men sent there or anything else in the way of work in that field shall be turned over to Dr. Condit, and he should be given exclusive control, subject to your O.K.. In no event should Dr. S. Hall Young be consulted in any manner, because whenever you consult him, it means more money wasted in Alaska. I wish to tell you too, Doctor, that if this thing continues, it is likely to get us not only in a law suit but in a great scandal - this whole thing of Dr. S. Hall Young sending people up to Alaska on such representations. He told Dr. Griest there was a place for him to move into and everything was taken care of for his comfort. Now the fact is there is nothing ready for him up there and it is doubtful if we can get into Cape Prince of Wales, because the boats will not stop there and it will have to be done by small boats, so that Dr. Griest will be greatly

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disappointed and much hurt about the misrepresentations made to him. Dr. Condit and myself have done our best to tell him of the difficulties if he goes there and we have put it up to him to decide if he shall go there, but we would be stuck for his year's salary and expenses to and from the East, and nothing could be done except to allow him to go.

Another recommendation I wish to make is that if you are going to get supplies for Alaska and forward them, that Dr. Condit should be placed in Seattle, with headquarters here, so that he can look after these matters, and he should not be interfered with in doing this, by S. Hall Young, for if he had had charge of this matter, we would have been thousands of dollars ahead. I doubt very much whether you can keep Dr. Condit very much longer, if he has to be interfered with by S. Hall Young continually, and loaded up with such jobs as have been given him several times by Dr. Young, to help him out of a scrape. It is well for you to know these things and know them now, and I trust you will write Dr. Condit, giving him authority to pass on all the people that are to go to Alaska, before they are engaged on the lurid letters and statements of Dr. S. Hall Young. I fear, by his interference in some of the work there, that we shall get in bad with the Alaska Bureau of Education. Mr. Lopp is very friendly to us but not to S. Hall Young. I trust we can arrange to settle this whole matter some way by the time the Board meets in September.

Now for Miss Jordan: In my opinion and in the opinion of Mr. Lopp, it is a mistake to send Miss Jordan at the present time to Pt. Barrow, in view of the fact that our hospital will not be completed so that they can take patients, before next spring. I tried to tell her of the difficulties in going there, and there are no accommodations whatever for her up there until we get the hospital building far enough advanced for her to go in there, but she is set on going and we could not turn her back except at great expense for her coming and going, because she has the documents on us. The first day I saw her I asked her what she expected to do up there until next spring. She said she was hired as a nurse. I asked her if she was willing to do house work, as that work had to be done by someone, and she answered "Not on your life". Said we could hire someone up there to do the housework. I informed her that there would be no one hired to take care of her and do her

housekeeping and she would have to do her share of the housework and work at the hospital; that there are no people up there to hire for that business. She is very much struck on taking a Newfoundland dog up there. Of course amongst us all we put a stop to that, as a dog from the States would be killed by the Alaska dogs. She also has the idea that she is going to travel around the country up there and do a great deal of visiting. She does not realize that she does not know the language, and there is no place to travel up there, but she has some wild ideas as well as the others, so she is going forward. I gave her to understand that she will have to do her share of the housework until the hospital is turned over to Dr. Spence.

Dr. Griest has no conception of what he is up against up there. From the representations made to him, he thinks he going to be a second Dr. Grenfell, and he tells me he ought to do the same kind of work and better work than Dr. Grenfell did on the Coast of Labrador. Now what can we do with such a bunch of people. It is not fair to Dr. Condit nor to me to load us up with a crowd as that. I would not go through with what I have done and have had to do on this hospital for any sum of money, but I am not a quitter and have gone ahead and done the best I could - and many of these things you could not have found anyone else to do.

We are sending one man up there that is a very loyal, able man - Mr. M. A. Brown, and he is wholly conversant with building and with the situation up there, as given to him by Mr. Lopp and Dr. Condit and Mrs. Eide, and it will not be a failure through any fault of his.

I am writing you this so you will see what we are up against, and I hope we can arrange that Dr. Condit shall take charge of all the Alaska work and that Dr. S. Hall Young shall be cut out entirely from any further activity in this work, so far as field work or sending men up there, or in any other way that he can interfere with them, financially or otherwise.

Dr. Condit could represent Alaska just as well from Seattle as he can from Juneau, as he is not at home very much of the time anyway, being out in the field, and can do his work from Seattle as well or better than from Juneau. Through the winter not much can be done

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in any event, but if he were down here he could plan for the coming year, make any arrangements for people he wanted sent up there, etc.

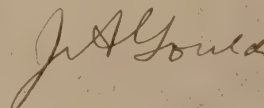
Now furthermore, Dr. S. Hall Young gave Dr. Greist to understand that you were going to build a hospital on St. Lawrence Island, where there are scarcely any Eskimos left, and possibly one or two other places, and that Dr. Greist might possibly have charge of the hospital work in Alaska.

I am sending you this letter in care of Miss Capelle, your secretary, as I do not desire it to go through Dr. Young's hands.

As not only myself but my son has for the last month put in more than two-thirds of our time on this Alaska business, we are going to take a vacation, beginning July 1st for a couple of weeks.

The above and foregoing is my honest opinion and my judgment in this matter, and I shall be glad to help in any way I can to straighten out this Alaska business, so that it will not be a disgrace to our Church, and the Church not be placed so that it will be liable for a suit for damages and the damages recovered.

Sincerely yours,



JAG/b

July 29, 1920.

Mr. Joel A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Gould:

I will not undertake to write a long letter now as I am in the office only for a day but I do want to thank you with all my heart personally and in behalf of the Board for the time and trouble you have taken to get the Alaskan affairs straightened out. The whole thing is the most distressing and vexatious I have had since coming into the Board.

I have taken the matter of Dr. Greist and his manifold infirmities up with his own presbytery. I have also written him as per the enclosed copy. In addition to this, I have written to Mr. Evans, who is superintendent of the Alaska School Bureau in that district in regard to his deafness. I have not said anything to him in regard to the divorce, but I have asked Evans to help him in every way with the natives so that he may be of real use to them this coming winter. This is all I have time for now.

Be assured of our gratitude to you and your son also for all you have done.

I am

Hastily, but sincerely yours

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Seattle, Aug. 3, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I received your favor of the 29th enclosing copy of letter to Dr. Greist. I have been intending for some time to write you fully in regard to my opinion as to the Alaska work, but I hesitated to do so on account of you taking your vacation and you have enough troubles without getting any extra ones loaded onto you; but here goes.

We are not wholly blameless in regard to the Dr. Greist matter, as he has letters galore from Dr. S. Hall Young that bear out his contention that he was to have hospitals turned over to him and great promises made him; and Dr. Hall Young cannot get away from his own written letters. It is quite a serious matter for me to find fault with any minister in our church; but Dr. S. Hall Young by a great many is regarded as a joke; and also many of them do not regard his word as being absolutely correct; and if we had followed the instructions or wishes of the New York office and would have turned back Dr. Greist and Miss Jordan from their trip to Alaska, we would have been liable for damages and very serious criticism from the church at large; and by the time we get thru with this we are liable to have the criticism anyway and very justly too. I cannot understand why Dr. S. Hall Young is given any authority whatever to write letters pledging the Board for anything. We have Dr. Condit in Alaska who is familiar with the work and knows what the work requires and what the field requires, none of which does S. Hall Young grasp; and he should not even be allowed to use the paper of the Board showing him as an officer or employee of the Board. He has already by Dr. Greist's fiasco and other work and other men sent into Alaska, did not fit and could not do the work, and has cost us thousands of dollars. As Dr. Condit has charge of the Alaska work under the direct supervision of you alone, he should be made responsible and be given the authority to take care of it and not be handicapped by S. Hall Young. Of course, I will admit that S. Hall Young needs the money; but the Board of Home Missions is not a charitable institution. If it is I know a lot of preachers who are more worthy and justly entitled to be charity subjects than S. Hall Young. During the time we were getting the supplies forward and having Miss Jordan come out to do work she cannot do or work to any advantage this year,

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and with Dr. Greist and wife also being sent forward, and at a big expense, to take care of work that never should have been taken over by our church, but left to the Congregational church, and some of the men in Alaska who were forwarded by Dr. Young's recommendation who did not stay even the year, I was very much wrought up over the whole proposition; but time sometimes mellows your indignation and I did not write to you before. But allow me now to suggest that you should absolutely take away from S. Hall Young any power to take part in any of the Alaska work; that Dr. Condit should be given the control without any interference from S. Hall Young and be held responsible for it; that if it is possible, unless Dr. Young can make good in raising funds and funds only for the Alaska work, he should be dropped at once. That is the one thing that has always been put up to me why he was employed was because he was an old hero in Alaska work and that he had a story to tell that brought a lot of money for the Alaska work. I do not know whether he ever got this large amount of money or not, but I know he does not stand well in Alaska. The most absurd thing that I have heard in a long time was his scheme to go up and make a survey of Alaska for the *Inter* church work. I suppose that was to be at the expense of our Board, but whether for our Board or anyone else it would have been an absolute waste of money.

Another thing; it looks to me that you will need a purchasing agent in Seattle if you undertake to build any more hospitals and even if you do not build any more ~~hospitals~~ ^{Alaska} hospitals, you will need a man in Seattle to look after the ~~Seattle~~ ^{Alaska} work, and it won't do to have S. Hall Young in any event undertake it. But the man to do this work should be Dr. Condit. He could be placed in Seattle as his headquarters and could look after the Alaska work from Seattle as well as he could if he lived in Juneau, and possibly better if he lived in Seattle. He could reach all the points from Seattle and be much closer in touch with all the work from here than from Juneau. Besides thru the winter he cannot do very much work in Alaska, but if in Seattle, he could make his plans and arrangements to purchase his supplies needed for the different fields and arrange the shipment from Seattle so they would not be crowded for time when they come to make the shipments.

I would ask that you think this over and we will go over this matter at the September meeting; but in my opinion something must be done with this Alaska work.

I am,

Very truly yours,

J. A. Gould

August 10, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Gould:

I have gone after the Presbytery of Logansport for ordaining Greist and recommending him to us pretty hard. I am enclosing copies of letters from the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery and also from a banker in Dr. Greist's town, which I think you ought to see. Undoubtedly there are two sides to the case and faults on both of them. I have replied to the Stated Clerk stating that I have written him, sending him a copy of my letter to Dr. Greist, which has also been sent to you, for two reasons, namely, - 1st, in order that the Presbytery may be in a position to defend itself with the Board if it is attacked for ordaining him, and, 2nd, that the Presbytery might join with the Board in trying to make a man of Dr. Greist, and get him to do the thing that he ought to do by his first wife.

The letters from both Dr. Stewart and the banker impressed me well.

In regard to Dr. Condit's removal to Seattle, I have already written him. So far as the Board is concerned I think it would be perfectly satisfactory for him to spend at least one-half the year in Seattle were it not for one thing, namely, he is meeting some opposition in his own presbytery now, and I fear that for him at this juncture to keep out of Alaska would play into the hands of the opposition. I have written this to Dr. Condit, who has been quite frank and free in discussing the opposition with me both at the General Assembly and by correspondence since. Personally, I intend to stand by Dr. Condit to the letter.

In regard to placing the entire responsibility for the Alaskan management in his hands, this has been done ever since I have come into the Board. Dr. Young has made but one break so far as I know, and that was within a few months after I came here. I then told him that he was not to undertake the direction of the affairs of Alaska in any respect, and he insists that he has not. He has been quite effective, however, as an agent of the Board in getting money. In the East here he is perhaps the most popular member of our Board and has a strength with the churches that we cannot ignore. Furthermore, his strength is not confined to the East. A year ago he would have been made Moderator of the Assembly against any minister in the church, and was defeated only because the men thought that it was a laymen's turn. I recognize his faults clearly, but I think in many respects he is more sinned against than sinning.

I went over this whole situation with Dr. Condit a year ago when I was with him and we discussed it somewhat also at the Assembly this year, and Dr. Condit has been told very positively that the management of

Alaskan affairs is in his hands. Furthermore, I have gone over all the correspondence between Dr. Young and Dr. Greist that is in the office and I can find no promise or hint of promise to Dr. Greist that he was to have hospital, launch, etc. Dr. Young says that he told him that in the long future there would be need for these things, but that he distinctly added that they were not promises and probably would not be forthcoming at all. In addition to this I have written Dr. Greist at least twice telling him that Dr. Young has no power whatever to make promises for the Board. The good Doctor is somewhat inclined to take things for granted, and I suspect Dr. Greist is of the same type, but the Board has not obligated itself to Dr. Greist in any way except to send him to Cape Prince of Wales, which we could not well avoid doing. We did not solicit the mission at Wales. The Congregationalists came to the time when they would not support it. They did not turn the mission over to us, but to the Home Missions Council, and that Council requested us to take it up. I presented the request to the Board and the Board unanimously thought it was our duty so to do.

In regard to the Pt. Barrow hospital, the money for its erection is not coming from our treasury, but is furnished by an institution known as the Commonwealth Fund, whose endowment is used to aid just such work. I think I explained in my last letter that the nurse was sent at Dr. Spence's urgent request and probably would not have been sent had not the Commonwealth Fund furnished the money. When I recommended to the Board the erection of a hospital at Pt. Barrow, I did it on condition that the money would be provided outside our Home Mission channels, which in time was done.

I am writing all this in order to put you in possession of the facts should the matter come up again. The badness of the whole business is Dr. Greist. We were simply fooled with him, but we took about every precaution we could think of aside from personally going and visiting him. Somebody must select men for Alaska aside from Dr. Condit as he is too far away, although it has been our practice that wherever we can have him visit a man before engaging him, we do so.

In conclusion let me thank you again for all your helpful interest in the matter. I regret exceedingly that it has been such a worry to you, but rejoice in the good piece of work that you have done.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Seattle,

Aug. 11, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I have your favor of Aug. 2nd in regard to the Alaska business. I note what you say in regard to Dr. Young. I believe a mistake has been made in not looking up S. Hall Young's record before increasing his salary and giving him authority in either the Alaska affairs or any other affairs of the Home Board. Of course I have been assured by different members of the executive staff of New York, that he was a great money getter. However I have my doubts about even that. Before renewing him for another year and putting him on the payroll, I believe it would have been wise to have given the Board the information that warranted you in recommending him for another year. I do not think he is entitled to any sympathy, because the Board refused to send him to Alaska at another big bill of expense, and it was an absurd proposition to begin with; as long as "Dad" is rich and plenty of money, I suppose he thought why not give some of it to him. I still maintain that he has cost the Board thousands of dollars without any corresponding good from his work, and I question whether he stands very well as a business man or as a missionary in Alaska. Some of the work that he has done will not stand a very thoro investigation, in my opinion.

Now let us go back to the Cape Prince of Wales. The information you have about the number of people at Cape Prince of Wales is questioned here and the Board of Education still maintain that there are only 186 natives at Cape Prince of Wales; and in view of the fact that this came from the Congregational Church, the only ones who are to be congratulated on this change to the Presbyterian Board, is the Congregational Church itself to think that they got rid of an expensive piece of work they should have attended to instead of wishing it onto us.

As to the St. Lawrence Island, where I understand our Board is contemplating putting in a man there, the Alaska Board of Education inform me that there are about 280 people altogether there and that the government allow three people there to look after education; and these three persons ought to be able to look after the religious welfare of 280 men, women and children, as well as their education, and I do not believe that we are justified in allowing the Episcopal Church to wish St. Lawrence Island onto us.

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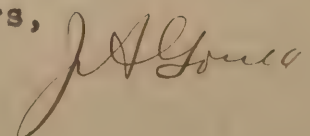
Allow me to come back to Dr. Condit. I believe that Condit should be placed in charge of the Alaska work and be made responsible for it and have the entire charge and control over it without any interference from S. Hall Young or any one else, except the New York office, - and that does not mean that S. Hall Young shall have anything to do with it. The Episcopal people have brot Bishop Rowe out of Alaska and have made his headquarters in Seattle, which I believe is ^{the} ~~the~~ ^{wise} thing for us to do with Condit, as he can visit all of ~~Seattle~~ ^{Alaska} as easily from Seattle as he can from Juneau. Besides he stands well with the government and the Board of Education, and S. Hall Young does neither. In fact, he is not a person that is considered reliable or desirable for the Alaska work by the U.S. Gov. officials connected with the Alaska work. I believe that we ought to take up the question of securing a successor for Dr. Spence this coming year, as he wants to come out from Alaska, and a younger man who is a physician and can act as a missionary, should take his place. This matter ought to be taken up early and a man secured in plenty of time so that his record can be looked into and investigated. One of the wealthiest men in Alaska, a banker connected here in Seattle, who is friendly to our people, has nothing good to say for S. Hall Young, nor his son-in-law who has been divorced from his daughter; nor some of the trades and transactions that Dr. Young was mixed up in at an earlier day. However there is no need of our going into this matter at the present time, if we are going to eliminate S. Hall Young from our work in another year; and this should be done and the Board should not be obliged to pension him on any sympathy proposition; but it should be looked into carefully and find out whether he is making good for the Board or not.

I have not heard a word from any of the people who started for Pt. Barrows or Cape Prince of Wales or Dr. Condit since they left Seattle; there is no way to reach Teller at the present time, except by mail and that is very uncertain. However I am getting the Board of Education to see if they can get any word from Teller via Nome, as to how things are going at Teller, and also at Nome and Cape Prince of Wales. I will advise you as soon as I get in communication.

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With best wishes and regretting you with all this, and expecting we can go over this matter fully when I am at the September meeting, I am,

Sincerely yours,



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Seattle, Aug. 16, 1920

Rev. J. A. Marquis,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I have your favor of the 10th in regard to Dr. Greist. It appears to me that the copy of the letter you received from Mr. S. A. Carson is very clear in saying a good word for Dr. Greist and don't for a minute think I am criticizing you or the Board in regard to Dr. Greist, as you could not have done otherwise after he got started. He may turn out better than ~~you~~ ^{we} anticipate. At least we all will hope so and when the year is up we will know better than we do now whether he has made good or not. One thing confidentially about Dr. Greist; I introduced him to a bank in Seattle and he put in some \$700.00, if I recollect right, to his credit ^{and} besides said he had sufficient funds for his ~~starters~~ ^{needs} for some time to come, so he is ~~is~~ ^{is} amply able to pay the \$25.00 a month, if he is held liable, to his first wife. I regret if I was rather severe in my criticism of Dr. S. Hall Young. This I know however, that he has made two or three bad breaks in Alaska, one with Mr. Lopp and one with other people up there; but that was a long time ago and should be overlooked in this long lapse of time. Dr. Young is so enthusiastic and full of dreams that you are not sure whether he is dreaming or whether he really has something good to offer when he talks to you, but if he is a good man to put on the platform to raise funds, I think I would do that. I never knew that Dr. Condit was in any kind of squabble with any of the Alaskan preachers. I still believe that he is the best man we have to attend to that and the reason I was so insistent was for fear Dr. Young was going to Alaska to take up that work and he and Dr. Condit could never get along together. I thank you very much for information sent me; it helps clear up some of the things I did not understand and all I am interested in the Alaska business is to get results and to help in any way I can in the work up there that may be submitted to me by the Board.

As Teller is not in telegraphic communication with the outside world and I have not heard from any of the people who have gone to Pt. Barrows or Cape Prince of Wales, nor Dr. Condit or Mr. Whittard at Teller, as to what has been done or what the prospects are, I cannot reach them by wire or I would try and get in touch with them.

Very sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

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Sept. 3, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I received yesterday the following wire
which I repeated to Mr. Banks for fear you might not be in
the office yet after your vacation:

Nome, Alaska, Aug. 31 Sep. 2-1920
J. A. Gould, 723 Leary Bldg.,
Seattle.

Arrived August twentieth. Quarters with Crams.
Olga arrived today. Unloading one hundred thirty four
tons. Everything in good shape. All rejoicing for
hospital. Good native help. Basement above ground.
Thermometer thirty-five. Fine building site. Expect
five weeks good weather. All well.

M. A. Brown
Point Barrow.

It has been more or less of a strain ever
since I got word from Teller that Capt. Allen wanted to make a
trading trip and not take our shipment until Sept. 10th; but I
had already made such arrangements with Mr. Whittard to not
stand for any delay whatever, and I so informed Mr. Allen we
would ship by some other boat; that we must have the hospital
supplies and materials sent forward at once; and the insistent
tone of my letter and instructions to Mr. Whittard seems to have
done the business; and this telegram is the first word I have
received from any of the Pt. Barrow people or the schooner 'Olga'
since they left Seattle and I feel especially good that we won
out in getting the material forwarded. I think I am entitled to
a dish of ice cream when I get to the Board for the hard work I
have done. However, I like grape juice too, pretty well. I will
meet you at the Board meeting Sept. 23rd and we will have a time
of rejoicing over the success of the Pt. Barrow venture so far.
In the meantime I may get some mail from them before I leave for
New York.

With best wishes and hoping that you had a
pleasant vacation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

September 24, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Gould:

I am commissioned by the Board of Home Missions to convey to you their unanimous thanks for your very efficient and self-sacrificing service in getting the Pt. Barrow Hospital loaded and delivered so successfully at its destination. I am preparing an appropriate resolution to be placed on the Minutes, but I send you this as the official notice of the Board's action.

I hope you are having a pleasant and safe journey home. With continued good wishes and high regard, I am

Sincerely and gratefully yours,

P. S. If you get any more word from Pt. Barrow, or photos, please let me have them.

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Seattle, Sept. 30, 1920

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I received your pleasant letter in regard to the vote of thanks for my work in the Pt. Barrow hospital work. I am glad that you appreciate the work I have done and am willing to do anything I can for any Home Mission work that you may turn over to me.

Now for another story. Mrs. Meacham's letter was sent to New York, got there two days after I left and ~~was~~ returned to me and I am now forwarding it to you together with my reply to her, which explains my idea of this matter; it seems from what she told me personally, that she ought to have some money when the Presbyterian Church could send \$20,000. to help build the University church, and some other remarks she made to me does not speak well for Mrs. Meacham. Now this happened twenty years ago; when Mr. Lopp comes back from Alaska I will find out his version of the work Dr. Meacham did there. But it sounds absurd from Mrs. Meacham at this late day to make the claims she does in regard to this work, when her husband had several years to attend to this matter himself, and was no doubt adjusted to his satisfaction before he died. Well, I am handing it all to you and you can write her, if you so desire, and I will do what I can to help straighten up the matter; but I am opposed to paying her any money, from what I know of her in this long lapse of time.

I am,

Sincerely yours,



To The Board of
Home Missions,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

In regard to the
work that Dr. Meacham did
at Bethel, Alaska, under Dr.
Hall Young, Superintendent
of Missions, I wish to state -
that at the earnest solicitation
and assistance of Dr. Young,
Dr. Meacham left home
for Bethel, September 1902,
to open a mission. The
buildings were built on the
upper floor of a saloon.
with no helps but his Bible
and one hymn book with
Notes & a few without notes
he held services every
Sabbath except Tues. when it
was stormy to venture out;

Dr. Young promised Dr. Meacnam a salary of \$1500, or more. (It was a salary not collections or anything of the sort, & which he never received) a dollar. The collections for the whole year were \$37-00, which he received. Dr. Young assured him, that a missionary would come in the Spring or when the first boat came in which was in July. But none came. Then he promised that one would come in the following fall, but none came. Then he promised that one would come in before navigation closed in Oct.

In the fall of 1901 we secured a building that had

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been built for a saloon,
but not occupied, and the
large part of it was used
for a reading room and
library, which was kept
open every night. Fixtures,
lights, books, etc. were kept up
with poor coal at \$1.00

a ton and candles twenty
five cents each. All the
water we used for months
was procured from melting
ice. Dr. Meacham read
burial service for the dead,
helped to dig graves, and
in fact faithfully performed
the duties of a minister.
Not until 1902 in August,
was a missionary sent from
Pennsylvania, who received
a regular salary. The second
year Dr. Meacham was there

Mr. Converse of Philadelphia
pledged \$1500. of which \$200
was withheld.

owing to the
failure to receive the first
year's salary our insurance
policy is expired, one for \$5000
and one for \$3000 leaving
a loss to us of \$8000.

Now I am a
widow of slender means
and not strong, and think
it is only just and right
that I should be paid the
first year's salary of \$1500,
plus the \$200 withheld for
the second year's salary and
the interest on the whole.
As Dr. Meacham had given
his word to Dr. Young that
he would remain until a
missionary should replace him

If you desire to be referred
to men who know these
circumstances, I will
name W. F. Lopp U. S.
Bureau of Education and
Dr. Bates of Seattle.

I am a
member of Mr. Harrison's
church in the University
district, Presbyterian.
The church which has received
\$30,000 from the Home Missionary
Board recently.

Sincerely
Wm. A. F. McArthur
2024 Postuma Place.
Seattle
Wn.

Sept. 30, 1920

Mrs. A. K. Meacham,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mrs. Meacham:

Your letter directed to me with a letter to the Board of Home Missions, sent me promptly, did not reach me in New York, and was returned to me yesterday from New York.

If you will remember, I advised you that unless you got this letter promptly out and forwarded to me, I would not get it in New York, so I did not have anything to put before the Board and so I would not take up their time about something you gave me no data about in a written form. This general conversation could not be used, but a written statement by you was the only thing I could present to the Board. If you had sent this to me in time I could have looked up the records in New York and consulted with Dr. Dietson and Dr. Thompson in regard to this whole matter and have arrived at some kind of an opinion as to the justice of your contention. I wish to say however, that I have read your letter over to the Board very carefully but have not been able to see Mr. Lopp, who is now out of the city, as to his knowledge of this affair. I am forwarding your letter to the Home Board and Dr. S. Hall Young will have nothing to do with this matter. The Board will no doubt give it some attention, but possibly will not do anything until I complete my investigation here and consult with the Board itself, and I will not be in New York again until next April.

Allow me to say, however, that this work that Dr. Meacham did for the Board was some twenty years ago and was performed by Dr. Meacham long before he died, and that he had ample time to have settled and adjusted this himself, and you coming in this late day with something that he could have attended to himself, does not speak well for your claim. Dr. Meacham himself evidently did not regard this very seriously, or he would have attended to it himself and have had it all settled up long before he died. It appears from what you tell me, that he did in fact have a settlement with Dr. Thompson at a General Assembly that met in Los Angeles. As this all occurred many years before I was connected with the

4024 Pasadena Place
September
1920

Mrs J. A. Gould =

I am late in
sending my letter, as I have
been hoping to receive
letters from some of Dr.'s
neacham's friends that
were with him in the
North - that were well
acquainted with his
faithful service for two
years. he as you know
held the first gospel
service in Teller, and
a pioneer in missionary
work, always has to take
more hardships than those
that follow. It will be a hindrance
in missionary giving

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among our friends that
know how unjustly Docter
was treated. yet the Mission
Board had an opportunity
to remove him before he
had spent the entire year
in the service. our friends
feel that they "never want
to give to missions again
as they have so oppressed
themselves to me, a

strong point in your effort
to have them honestly do the
right thing - is your giving
your services so freely and
willingly there by saving them
much money in your free gift
of time, and by restraining
them from sending for funds
on that useless mission. ~~and~~ ~~and~~ ~~and~~

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Home Board and long before Dr. Meacham died and before Dr. Meacham returned to Seattle, I have no manner of passing judgment on this matter one way or another. Possibly Dr. Marquis will write you direct from New York what disposition will be taken in this matter, and he no doubt will investigate the whole matter from the office records, as this occurred many years ago before he had anything to do with the Home Board.

I am,

Very sincerely yours,

C. J. M.

J. A. G.

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Seattle,

October 8, 1920.

*Return to
Audrey
in fall*

Rev. J. A. Marquis,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

As I am closing up the details of the shipment of all material to Pt. Barrow Hospital, it might be well for me to give you some of the steps taken by us to make a success in getting the material and the people to Pt. Barrow.

As you are well aware, no direct communication with Pt. Barrow is had from Seattle or , in fact, from anywhere, by water, except an occasional schooner going from Teller or from Nome, for about six weeks in the fall of the year, when the ice will permit the boat to get to Pt. Barrow, as navigation is free from ice only about six weeks in the year.

As you know, the U. S. S. cutter Bear is supposed to make a trip and take supplies in to Barrow every year, but, on account of the ice the past two years, she was unable to get into Barrow and nothing was sent in direct from the outside for two years. They were very short for supplies.

In looking up the question of getting some boat or schooner to take the supplies to Barrow, I was confronted with the question of getting any boat whatever that would agree to go except the small schooner "Olga" made a contract with me to go as soon as the ice would permit the boat to get thru, which would not be later than about August 1st. They claimed they would carry all of our supplies on this schooner and after making the contract with them, I discovered that, instead of being able to carry 250 tons, she would not be able to carry over 125, and our shipments would amount to about 250 tons. I immediately made arrangements with the manager of the wharf at Teller Mr. Whittard, to look up and see if it was possible to get some other boat to take the balance of the material forward, and altho we had tried before this to make arrangements, I was unable to get any definite promise from any boat to go in there this year, but the manager of the wharf at Teller got two boats that belonged to San Francisco people that would be willing to help us out on the overplus, and I had to give him instructions and power to make arrangements to have these boats take the surplus left over by the "Olga". One of the

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boats had to stop at Wainwright to gather up 100 or better tons of coal, and also stop at Pt. Hope and gather up what was left from a former shipment last year for Pt. Barrow, that was unloaded at Pt. Hope, trusting that somebody would take it forward this year. We had to make arrangements for this coal at Wainwright to be mined after one of the boats went forward and sacked and brought to the side of the boat at Wainwright by Indians in their small skin boats - quite an undertaking, but it was done all right, but this whole transportation question has been in such horrible shape that it has all been very expensive.

In sending the people forward that went to Pt. Barrow, Mr. Brown, the superintendent, and his wife, Miss Jordan, the nurse, and Mr. Eide and wife, who are to work also at the hospital, Mr. Eide as janitor and Mrs. Eide as a nurse and housekeeper at the hospital, we had to send them all to Nome by the steamship company from Seattle expecting that we could forward them on the cutter "Bear" from Nome to Pt. Barrow, but the uncertainty of getting anybody or anything forward by the cutter "Bear" compelled them at Teller to send them forward in one of the schooners to Pt. Barrow. They all got thru in safety and all the material also reached there in safety.

In shipping from Seattle to Nome for Pt. Barrow we were confronted with a shortage of space on the steamers from Seattle to Teller, as the Alaska S.S. Co. had sold their space very short, but I obtained from them the promise that they would take everything that I got to the side of their vessel for Pt. Barrows on the vessel that went north June 21st, leaving a great amount of other freight on the dock at Seattle. The transportation facilities in Alaska waters is very poor indeed, and it is hoped that the government will furnish a steamship the coming year to visit all these outlying posts, including Barrow, Cape Prince Of Wales, and other far-northern points.

As you are aware, the freight on all the material had to be paid for on delivery at the wharf, which was arranged very nicely by Mr. Banks, the treasurer, and all bills have now been paid that the Seattle office contracted for.

In the statement I have sent you, there has been a large amount of discount on supplies and lumber bought here in Seattle on account of paying promptly for cash and on account of being a church hospital for the benefit of the Alaska people.

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Some of these discounts I have shown you, but the question of the equipment, Shaw Supply Co., there was a large cut made in the amount of supplies suggested from New York. The lumber items, I am sure there was at least \$2000 of a discount on the lumber bought here in Seattle by having the cash ready and taking any material to the side of the boat in Seattle, as there was such a shortage of freight cars they were anxious to get lumber for shipment by water.

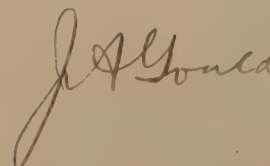
In doing all this work, I was greatly aided by Mr. M. A. Brown, the superintendent, who was familiar with building and also with all work that would be needed, and he is a very careful, considerate man and a hard worker himself, and he tells me that he is sure that he can get the building enclosed so that he can do the inside work thru the winter.

In closing up this matter, I wish to thank you for the help of the Board in New York, and also to say that while it was quite a task, I had the time to give to it and was glad to be able to do this work for you, and I am quite sure that you are well satisfied with the way it has been carried forward. There were times when I had my misgivings about our being able to get this building and supplies to Pt. Barrow, but we took up the matter in every way possible with the transportation companies so that we got the material there all right.

I wish to say, furthermore, that we were the only people that got any marine insurance on shipments going to ^{Pt. Barrow} Alaska this year, so I have been informed by the insurance company, and we got our material thru to Teller when several others could not make connections, and it has been rather a pleasant task, altho sometimes a disagreeable one, as well, but we should not expect to have everything our way and easy sailing all the time.

Assuring you that I am glad to give you any further information and with best wishes for the success of our undertaking and to the office for the great good they are doing to the natives of Alaska, I am,

Very sincerely yours,



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REV. J. A. MARQUIS, D. D.
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I am handing you herewith a statement of all the drafts I drew on Mr. BANKS for the Pt. Barrow Hospital, with a word of explanation.

As you know, in shipping freight from Seattle, we could only ship the material and supplies to Teller by the Alaska S. S. Co. and it was picked up at Teller by the Schooner "Olga" and the Schooner "Fox" from there on to Pt. Barrow. The lighterage at Teller had to be paid at the dock one way as they could not get to the dock on account of low water. We could not ship it to any other point, Nome being on the open sea and it was almost impossible to lighten from the steamer at Nome, so it all had to go thru Teller, which has a very good harbor and is very well managed.

The insurance should be more but no one could tell how much it should be and the insurance company has never asked for any further payment. They, no doubt, are well satisfied, as the shipments got thru without any trouble.

The item of hardware from the Seattle Hardware Co. comprises several different items and the original statement from the Seattle Hardware Co. was sent direct to Mr. Banks, and he can give you the data as to the different items, but it largely went into nails and other hardware for the hospital.

The labor account of Mr. Brown paid to July 1st; then I made an advance to Mr. Brown of \$500.00 to apply from July 1st. The expenses of Mr. Brown were all supplied and his statement that he made to Dr. Condit and the check for the overplus was turned in in a former letter.

The medicines under item 29, Stewart & Holmes, I believe that was for medicines that the Board of Education did not pay for. They paid part and left the balance for us to pay.

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26, office expenses, were expenses incurred in the way of typewriting and stenographer expenses, postage and telegrams.

10, Transportation to Nome, was for five full tickets and three children of Eide's to Nome on the road to Pt. Barrow. There was no charge made for the transportation of any of these people on either the Schooner Fox or the Olga.

Expenses in advance made to Miss Jordan, a statement was forwarded, but it was all for the benefit of the Pt. Barrow hospital, as she was the nurse sent up to look after the nursing at Pt. Barrow.

The other sheet of \$1349.91, is for Dr. Greist, coal, freight and expenses to Cape Prince of Wales, which does not apply to Pt. Barrow.

Under a further letter that I am sending you I will give you a statement of my connection with obtaining the supplies and forwarding them to Pt. Barrow.

All of the bills for all of this material have already been forwarded to Mr. Banks, the treasurer, and you can get further information as to these items from him.

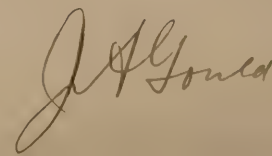
As we paid the last bill yesterday in the way of undercharge of \$117.18 to the Alaska S. S. Co. I think there will be no further bills to go forward, so far as the Seattle office is concerned.

As you will observe, there was sent thru the office here for Pt. Barrow Hospital the sum of \$46,986.33, as an advance. The balance towards ^{the} building of the hospital will consist almost entirely of ~~lumber~~ ^{labor} and expense of the building at Pt. Barrow, which is under the control of Mr. Brown, who is a very careful, economical superintendent.

I shall be glad to give you any further information that is desired that I have control of.

I am,

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Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

Since returning home from New York, I made it my business to get an interview with Dr. F. L. Forbes, who has been three years in Alaska, and is now again assistant pastor to Dr. Matthews at the First Church. I was asking him of the conditions up in Alaska.

He originally went there at the request of the Sunday-school Board but he claimed that Dr. Condit worked up a propaganda against his work there to such an extent that he quit the Sunday-school work and went into work for the Alaska Board of Education under Mr. Lopp. He claims that Dr. Condit gave it all out around thru Alaska that he was simply representative of the First Church of Seattle and that Matthews wanted to get hold of the Alaska work and he was there representing Dr. Matthews. I am sure that Dr. Forbes is correct when he says that Matthews never had any idea of his work with that in view. Furthermore, that Matthews never knew that he was going there until after he was appointed; that since that time Dr. Condit has treated him better, but thinks that Condit owes him an apology for not treating him decently.

That is the bad side of it, but I immediately asked him what he thought about Condit for the job he has on now, and he said he is as good as anyone for his job. He thought he could do lots of work there and maybe was better posted than any man we could get, but as for having him come to Seattle and having a Seattle office for the Alaska work, he does not take kindly to that proposition. He does not think it will make for the good of the work in Alaska for Condit to move to Seattle. He says he would have to go to Juneau from Seattle before he could do any work and would have to come back thru Juneau so that he sees no good reason why it would not be better for him to stay in Juneau that unless you have a large amount of goods to purchase you do not need any man at all here, and as for purchasing goods in Seattle, he believes that we have some pretty good Presbyterians in Seattle that would attend to that matter without any expense to the Board and maybe could do it better than even Condit or a man from Alaska could do.

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For the benefit of Dr. S. Hall Young, which you might tell him, Forbes says that Dr. Young is held in very high esteem in Alaska, but personally he did not regard his "dreams" favorable, but people liked him. Dr. Forbes has traveled all over Alaska and is willing to give us information that he may have at hand. He has some good ideas about a successor for Dr. Spence. He thinks it ought to be a young man, a doctor, who has an evangelistic spirit, and a desire to work hard, and if he is not an ordained preacher and can talk just a little, we could arrange it from this end or from the presbytery that he could be ordained so that he could perform marriages and baptism and any other church work that might be required.

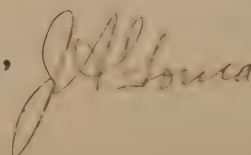
I believe in Dr. F. L. Forbes and have always found him very loyal to Home Mission cause and to Home Mission work in Seattle, and anything we want to know about Alaska and about the different fields he can give it to us as an independent view of the situation. He has nothing against Condit and I believe that Condit can do as well as anybody at the present time if they can have peace and harmony in Alaska in regard to his appointment.

Dr. Condit told my son when he was in Seattle that the griciest child he did not believe was a normal child, and he looks with misgiving on the outcome at Cape Prince of Wales.

I am glad to report to you that Simpson, our logging camp man that we have had so much trouble with, has eliminated himself from lumber camp work. He has accepted a call to the Olympia church, and Magwood, the other lumber camp worker that we have had so much trouble with, which Dr. Montgomery and Dr. MacDowell can tell you about, has also accepted a call to a church. The car that we bought for Mr. Simpson was taken back from Magwood and has been sold and the money forwarded to Mr. Banks by Mr. Keeler, our field worker.

This letter is just a letter of information and no suggestions are made by myself.

Very truly yours,



Dr. Marquis

October 25, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Wash.

My Dear Mr. Gould:-

Dr. Marquis put into my hand your letter forwarding Mrs. Meacham's letter making a claim for money which she said was due Dr. Meacham from the Board.

The accompanying ⁱⁿ reply will, I hope, put to rest the absurd claim; but, there is a little personal matter between us which I must take up briefly.

In Mrs. Meacham's letter to you, she speaks of ^{your} saving the Board much money in your gift of time to them "and in restraining Dr. Young on that useless mission".

I have never seen the letter you wrote to Dr. Montgomery and which was sent by him to Dr. Hayes and Mr. Revell of the Alaska Board. ^{Committee} They have intimated to me its contents however.

I simply wish to make two or three points, and I think you will see that you have done me an injustice. First, I have never to my knowledge promised the missionaries to Alaska anything for which I did not first receive the sanction of the Board. Second, Dr. Dixon, who has reviewed every bit of my correspondence with Dr. Condit and with our missionaries in Southeast Alaska, will bear me out when I say that I have never interfered with the prerogative of the ^{Gen.} Missionary ^{to} Alaska. And Third, Dr. Marquis has seen all the correspondence I had with Dr. Geist and will testify that I did not

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Promise him the hospital or other things which you report that I had promised him. Dr. Greist apparently took the discussion of tentative plans for the furtherance of the Prince of Wales Mission as personal promises.

As for ^{your} her keeping me or attempting to keep me from making a survey of South-west Alaska, that seems to me very absurd and most unwise and unjust. Our Board voted a year ago to open up a mission at Nushagak in the Summer of 1920. They found themselves unable to do this, partly because they knew so little of the field and partly for lack of funds. When the Interchurch, which had promised to send me to make a full survey of Alaska, collapsed, I made a proposition to the Board to make a survey of its Presbyterian territory. This had to be abandoned on account of the lateness of the Season; but, I confidently expect to make that survey on a more satisfactory scale next Summer. It is Obviously a task which Dr. Condit cannot undertake and the evangelization of that vast and entirely neglected region depends on such a survey. I shall have a proposition to submit to the Board at its next Meeting and hope to send these propositions to all of the members of the Board by the last of this week.

You and I have been such good friends that I am very loath to let any misunderstanding come between us, and therefore have written you frankly.

Very sincerely yours.

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October 29, 1920.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

The wharfinger at Teller has arrived in Seattle and he tells me that he believes that we could buy all the material and ship it from San Francisco at the rate of \$35.00 a ton to Pt. Barrow and to Cape Prince of Wales.

It might be well to think this over and if you think it possible, we can write from Seattle to San Francisco to the people who own the trading post at Pt. Barrow and make the arrangements for whatever stuff you want to send this coming year to both of those fields. At this late date, they claim they would have been glad to have done this before, but we could not get any information to that effect, so possibly there is nothing in their offer at this late date.

We can buy all the supplies needed in San Francisco for both Pt. Barrow and Cape Prince of Wales. The only thing is to have the bill made out soon enough so that we can send it forward to San Francisco and get it all made out and arranged for in plenty of time.

I have not heard anything new from the north since my previous letter to you.

I am,

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Seattle,
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Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
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Dear Dr. Marquis:

I have just received letters from Mr. Brown and from Mr. Eide. I am forwarding herewith Mr. and Mrs. Eide's letters, criticising Dr. Spence very severely. Of course, I pass no opinion on their criticism.

I also enclose Mr. Brown's letters, one of September 26th. You will observe that Mr. Brown has nothing disagreeable to say about anybody up there; tho he criticises a little the natives themselves in not cleaning up more and taking a bath once in a great while, at least, once a year. You can depend on what he says so that you will know how it is getting along.

I have also heard thru Mr. Lopp that the telegram sent out from there by way of Nome in the middle of October showed that they were getting along very fine with the hospital; that they had got it all enclosed and ready to go to work on the inside and finish the outside. You may depend on what Mr. Brown says in every particular and I pass these along to you, together with a couple of small photos that Eide sent me in his letter.

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Seattle, November 5, 1920.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

As I advised you a couple of days ago in my letter to you, Dr. and Mrs. Spence and Miss Jordan have abandoned the Point Barrow work. Miss Jordan seems to be nothing more or less than an adventurer who went up there for a trip and did not intend to do any work or anything else up there except spend the Board's money. She never intended to do any work there at all, but just simply to go on a trip at the expense of the Board. It has cost us a great amount of money to have fallen into the hands of Miss Jordan.

I am surprised at Dr. and Mrs. Spence coming out, as it was not understood that they desired to come out this year, but would come out next year, but they have come out, and from what Mr. Lopp tells me it is a good thing for the work and for the natives up there that they have left Pt. Barrow, and I am quite sure that Mr. Brown, aided by Mrs. Eide, will be able to do better work up there without Spence than with him. Dr. Spence seemed to have the faculty of antagonizing everybody up there, but he is gone now, and I have no doubt that from being there several years he was very irritable and wanted to come out in any event.

Not desiring to overstep any authority, I am writing to Mr. Brown today to take charge of the whole works up there and Mr. Eide also to report to Mr. Brown and to take charge of the religious work. They can do this work there better than Dr. Spence, with the exception they will be up against it if there is any sickness or any surgical work to be done. Of course, they have medicine there that was sent up for the hospital, so I believe that they will get along very nicely if there is no epidemic at Pt. Barrow and if there is no surgical operation to be performed.

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I am sure that Mr. Brown, who is an elder in one of our churches in Seattle, is very level-headed and is capable of looking after the whole thing until we can get somebody up there, which will not be possible before another year. As I said, I have written to Mr. Brown to look after the whole works there until further orders from your office.

I have been assured by telegrams from Rev. Mr. Cram, who has charge of the Alaska Bureau of Education work at Pt. Barrow that everything at the Hospital is being rushed to beat everything and they have got the building enclosed, so that they can work inside the balance of the time and will get the work along as fast as it can be done, and as Mr. Brown's letter to me, which I forwarded to you a couple of days ago, he has great confidence in the natives up there that they will do good work as far as they know how, and will do it as cheaply as it can possibly be done.

It appears that Mr. Brauer, the manager of the trading post there, has also come out, but left a substitute in his place there.

With best wishes to the office force and to yourself, I am,

Sincerely yours,



November 11, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Gould:

Your letters with reference to the desertion at Point Barrow on the part of Dr. Spence and Miss Jordan are here, and I am inexpressibly chagrined and disappointed at the way things have turned out there. Miss Jordan had the highest recommendations and seemed to have the right missionary spirit. If she is what her actions in leaving Point Barrow would indicate, then the sooner we are rid of her the better. In judging Dr. Spence we ought to take into account his long service in the Arctic, which has doubtless made him irritable, and the fact that his health is not good.

I want, however, to express my own sincere thanks and the thanks of the Board for the way you have handled the matter. I am writing to Mr. Brown telling him that the Board stands behind your instructions and disposition of the matter to the letter. He will probably not get my letter until near Spring, but I want to write it.

The next thing is to get a good, young physician and his wife to go up there and take charge as soon as navigation opens. I would very much prefer a Westerner if he can be gotten. As a rule a Westerner has better stuff in him for hardships of that kind than an Easterner. Will you keep an open eye for such a man and if you find one, interview him and let me know.

One of the embarrassing things about Dr. Spence's leaving is that I have cracked him up to the skies to the Commonwealth Fund, which has furnished the building, and they are getting up a little pamphlet about the hospital up there and Dr. Spence. Furthermore, they have given me moral assurance that they will pay the entire cost of the building, and I have a church considering taking over the support of the entire mission there, including the hospital. Now comes on the top of all of this the desertion by Dr. Spence, which will be exceedingly hard to explain. But we will have to get through it the best we can.

The Board meets this afternoon and we will miss you. We are having many knotty problems, but working away through them. The financial situation of the Board is not comforting on account of our increased budget, although we have made a decided gain in our receipts as compared with this time last year. On November 1st we were 53 per cent. ahead of November 1st a year ago — the highest increase of any of the Boards. Were it not for the restrictions placed on us by the New Era we would have no trouble in getting all the money we need from the churches. The large self-supporting synods in the East were never more favorable toward the Home Board than now, and, furthermore, they feel that we got a raw deal in the distribution of the New Era money last year.

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With warmest regards and sincere thanks to you for your interest and care in the Point Barrow matter, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Seattle,
November 17, 1920.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I have your favor of November 11th, approving of my action in the Pt. Barrow mission matter, in regard to Dr. Spence and Miss Jordan. Up to the present time I have had no word from Pt. Barrow and nothing further about Dr. Spence and Miss Jordan except what I wrote you in my previous letter, that the captain of the "Olga" met them at Unalaska as they were coming out on the steam schooner "Herman", and no doubt would go to San Francisco unless they could get a ride on a U. S. government boat to some point in Alaska where they could intercept the boats coming to Seattle, which I am sure they could not do.

I am very sorry about Dr. Spence and his wife leaving the field, but as far as religion is concerned, Mr. Lop tells me that he does not see any reason why the work will not go on better than when Dr. Spence was there, as Rev. Mr. Cram, their man to look after educational matters at Pt. Barrow, is a member of our presbytery and our synod; besides, Eide has been licensed by our presbytery as well. I go more on Mr. Brown's good judgment and tact and his religion than I do on the whole bunch up there. Mr. Brown is a very quiet, level-headed man and you can rely upon him in every particular.

There is just one thing I was thinking of that might be well for us to consider, and that is getting a doctor to go there this coming year. If we could get a doctor who was an elder in the church and was alive to the missionary spirit, we would be in good shape, because we have sufficient other ability up there in Cram and Eide to look after the religious affairs of the community.

Now, as to a nurse: Mrs. Eide is a trained nurse herself. She is supposed to be under the employ of the Board. I was just wondering if they could not get along the next year with the present force, aided by a new doctor. There are only six or seven hundred altogether in all the country up around Pt. Barrow, and it appears to me that Mrs. Eide and the help that she could get from the doctor would be sufficient for our purpose. This is only

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my opinion and I may be wrong about it, but I thought I would put it up to you and you could think it over.

I wish to say I do not desire to take any authority on myself in regard to this matter, but the information that I had about Dr. Spence and Miss Jordan was such that they ought to have some word from the outside as to what to do until you could take the matter in charge. I will keep my ear to the ground to find a doctor that will go up there to take charge of the hospital. Between us, we ought to be able to get some live younger man who is willing to go up there on a three-year term.

Our synod and our presbytery are doing their utmost to increase their gifts to the Board this year, and I am quite sure we are away ahead of what we gave last year, and I do not see any reason why we should increase our wants over last year, so that we will help all we can here. Of course, the writer's business is such that he knows there is a great demand for money and it will necessitate some very fine financing to get thru the year.

Moderator Dr. Palmer will be in our church this coming Sunday and I am mighty glad to have him here with us. He also speaks in the First church in the morning and is the first moderator that we have ever had come to see us, outside of Dr. Matthews, to my remembrance.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

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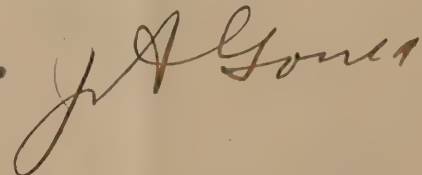
Dear Dr. Marquis:

I enclose you copy of a letter that I am sending to Dr. Condit. It expresses my views of Dr. S. Hall Young's crazy idea of traveling over Alaska.

By the way, Dr., did Dr. Spence or Miss Jordan ever call on you since they came out from Pt. Barrows? I am much interested to know what kind of an excuse they gave for their abandoning of the work up there. As we cannot send a man up there to take Dr. Spence's place before next July, I am in hopes that if you cannot get anyone from the East, you may be able to find somebody in the West, one that will stay by the job and will not leave us in the lurch, as Dr. Spence and Miss Jordan did.

With best wishes, and wishes for a Merry Christmas, I am,

Sincerely yours,



December 14, 1920.

Rev. James H. Condit,
Juneau,
Alaska.

Dear Dr. Condit:

I received your favor of December 6th, enclosing a long memo from Dr. S. Hall Young. I had already received this letter of Dr. Young's, but as I had already talked to the Board and several of the members had a pretty good idea of the action of the Board, and so never even wrote to the Board, nor to Dr. S. Hall Young.

Of course, in my opinion, it is one of the most absurd propositions that you could possibly think of and the Board has no money to throw away and I don't believe they will consider this matter for a minute. They have already turned this thing down last year.

I am very much interested in the long epistle of S. Hall Young, that shows how crazy he is on some things; not only crazy, but he don't do any good in my opinion. Of course, the New York office has him on the payroll, but up to the present time, for the life of me, I don't know what good he is to the Home Board, except pay out money to him when we need money so bad for the work. I agree with your letter that you sent to Dr. Marquis under date of December 7th.

I have never heard anything from Dr. Spence or Miss Jordan since the captain of the schooner "Olga" gave me the information that they had left Pt. Barrows, so I don't know whether they have reported at New York or not.

I am,

Yours very truly,

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Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.
156 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I just received a letter from Dr. Condit from Juneau, informing me that Miss Olive May Jordan had sent out cards or somebody has of her betrothal and future marriage to Capt. Pedersen of the steam schoolner "Herman". You, no doubt, have got the same line of letter from Dr. Condit.

He also writes me very fully that Leebys & Co. of San Francisco would like to do our business next year and they would do it very reasonable. I am writing him a letter, copy of which is enclosed, of my opinion of it. I have no desire to go to San Francisco to do any of this work, but still I am subject to the orders of the Board.

I think possibly Dr. Condit would like to go and he is well posted, and if anybody should go, he should be the man to go.

Leebys & Co., from information I get about them, are out for all the money there is on anything they do for us. It appears to me that the Board of Home Missions has blowed in about \$1,000. for Miss Jordan to get a husband and we ought to feel very proud of it that the nurse we sent up to Pt. Barrow got a husband very quickly and we paid the expenses.

With best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

December 21, 1920.

Rev. James H. Condit,
Juneau,
Alaska.

Dear Dr. Condit:

In regard to the list for Dr. Greist at the hospital at Cape Prince of Wales, checked over by Dr. Eagelson, wish to say this: that I do not see any reason why we should pay Dr. Greist anything for this material, when it was absolutely unnecessary to use it there. I am rather surprised to know that Dr. Greist asks us to do it, independent of the arrangement, because he knew what he would need there and we didn't. You surely did not know what could be used and you relied upon what Dr. Greist said and you are blameless in this whole matter.

I understand from another party that the presbytery in Indiana is taking up the question of cancelling their recommendation of Dr. Greist. Of course, I do not know as to this for a certainty.

As to Leebys & Co. of San Francisco and Capt. Pedersen looking after our business at Cape Prince of Wales and doing it "so cheap" that it would be to our interest to do business with them, I do not remember that Leebys have given us any special concessions or special rates this last summer when they carried close on to 200 tons up to Pt. Barrow for us. They got all they could out of us and made no concession whatever. Finally they took out our missionary and his wife and also married the nurse that we had sent up there, so that I am not particularly struck on any promises they may make. Of course, if they will do it better and cheaper than anyone else, it would be all right, but we tried to do business with them last winter and they would not make any arrangements with us at all until after we had already made arrangements otherwise.

December 27, 1920.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Gould:

Your letter has just come. We had a call from Captain and Mrs. Pedersen of the schooner Herrmann the other day. They came in to refund to the Board at least part of the money wasted on the aforesaid Mrs. Pedersen's trip to Point Barrow. They seemed very happy indeed and confessed themselves as anxious to reimburse the Board for the loss sustained in getting Miss Jordan to the north. She insists that she did not leave on account of her engagement to the Captain as he did not make any proposition to her until after they were on their way back. I have my own opinion about this, but the whole thing is not worth considering just now.

I think Dr. Condit, or you, or some one else, ought to begin right away arrangements for shipping next year. Pedersen when he was here made us a much better proposition than he would last year. The advantage of his taking our goods is that we avoid reshipment at any point en route. If the Olga will do this then the Liebes Company has competition, which I think will be a very wholesome thing. Mr. Lopp was in to see me Saturday in regard to the ship the Navy Department is turning over to his Bureau, but he says that there is no likelihood that it will be ready to do business for us this coming summer. I will take up with Dr. Condit the matter of his going to Seattle or San Francisco to arrange shipments at once. I hate to ask you for the reason that you have been so good about attending to the Point Barrow matters that I dislike to make the Board a nuisance to you again. The Board has a notion now that J. A. Gould can do anything under the sun that needs to be done, so they passed a motion requesting you to go to Metlakatla, which I told them frankly I did not think you ought to do at this time of the year, but that is up to you. I know you will be willing out of the goodness of your heart to help Condit in any way you can, but we do not want to have you take the long trip to San Francisco and back if we can avoid it.

With every good wish for the new year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Rev. John A. Marquis,
156 - 5th Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Marquis:-

I have your favor of Dec. 20th, in regard to Dr. Young's visit to Alaska, to Dr. Spence jumping his job at Pt. Barrow, and to Mrs. Jordan Pederson. I have noted your letter with much interest, and so allow me to suggest some things about this whole matter.

I have never paid any attention to Dr. Young's visit to Alaska and told Mr. Condit to that effect; that you folks had enough trouble without being bothered with something that had already been decided. The trouble with Condit is that he takes everything very serious in regard to Alaska. He is so afraid someone might have something to do with Alaska work that he did not Okey.

SPENCE Of course, I was very much surprised to hear that he had left Pt. Barrow, as I had gotten two or three letters ~~from~~^{about} him and had written ~~him~~ two or three letters that gave me to understand he was going to stay there although Dr. Spence never wrote me, excepting that he was to have charge of the Hospital at Barrow.

I doubt very much whether he is very strong in any event, but not much worse now than he was two or three years ago, but he is now gone and no remarks are necessary from me. What we want is a man for Pt. Barrow who is a surgeon with missionary spirit, because that is what we built the hospital there for. I am hoping we may be able to get a surgeon from here, but I have taken no action whatever in getting a man until it has been thoroughly gone over by you as to the advisability of the man I might suggest. I have assurances from two or three preachers that we might get a man here, but we will get no one until you are satisfied. Of course, the question of salary and expenses for anyone to go up there will enter largely into getting the right man. That can be attended to later on, but should you get anyone, kindly advise me, so that we will not be at cross purposes.

EIDIE I am a little fearful of Eidie myself on account of his great desire for notoriety, but knowing Mr. Brown, the superintendent we sent up there, so well, he assured me he would see that Eidie would do his work well, and he informed me he did not have the least idea that Eidie's desire to show off would interfere with any of the work up there. However, I would not

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take Mrs. Jordan's word for anything because she had already gotten into a disturbance with some of the people up there, and she is the one who got Mr. Spence to leave and she is naturally a very lazy sort of young woman, and we are well rid of her by her having gotten married, and I am also very glad that you got your money back. Mr. Lopp himself told me that Dr. Spence's leaving there has eliminated a lot of trouble that was going on up there, and we are in much better shape than we ever were before, and Mr. Lopp has great confidence in ^{her} ~~Eidie~~ as he has known her since she was a little girl, so I have no great worry about Eidie.

I have already written to Mr. Brown and called his attention to the fact that he wanted to use the Rev. Mr. Cram, a member of our Presbytery, and who has charge of the Alaska Bureau of Education work in Pt. Barrow, and he will do anything he can to help us. I know Mr. Cram personally, and know he will do anything he can to make life easy to any white people we may send there. If we can get a man to go up there on the first boat next summer, everything will be all right at Pt. Barrow.

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
156 - 5th Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Marquis:-

I have your two letters in regard to Capt. and Mrs. Pedersen at Pt. Barrow. I take it from your letter that Mrs. Pedersen, nee Miss Jordan, makes promises but has not put up any money for her trip to Pt. Barrow, though she promises to do so shortly, and I will be very glad to hear when she does this. I think it would be well to do business with Captain Pedersen if you can make the right kind of a contract so that he will do it right and at a lower rate than we had last year.

The trouble about ordering the supplies for Pt. Barrow is that we have no idea yet how much we will want, and I do not see any way for us to get this information from Pt. Barrow. It appears to me that there was enough medicine sent over, so that from a druggist's standpoint, we would need nothing further this coming year. As to the groceries and such matters, we will have to take that up and send what is necessary, but I do not believe we need any such amount as we did last year, unless we are going to pay off the Eskimos with groceries from our own supplies.

Another thing about this is that Capt. Pedersen workes for Liebes & Co., who own a trading station at Barrow and sell groceries as well as everything else, so there might be a question whether Capt. Pedersen would give us the benefit of a lower rate on goods that might come in competition with their own work.

As to Dr. Condit going to San Francisco before you sent him there, you had better find out if they will be at home or anyone there to look after it for you, and how much it will cost you to do this work.

As to going to Metlakatla, I wrote you fully in regard to this. As Mr. Lopp has not gotten back yet, I do not think we will lose anything by wait-

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ing until he gets back and getting a line-up from him, which he will give me, but I do not know just when he will be back, but anyway, before March 1st.

I have just been shown a telegram from the Rev. Wm. R. King, asking that Rev. A. B. Keeler be sent to Pennsylvania on Home Mission work. Now as Rev. Keeler and Rev. Thomson both are under the control of the Home Mission Committee of the Synod of Washington, it might have been well for Rev. King to have written to me, asking if this would be satisfactory. This jumping over the head is not a very nice way of doing business. Besides, my recollection is that the Synod of Pennsylvania objects to anyone coming in there from the Board of Home Missions, and if Mr. Keeler goes there, he may not get a warm reception, and for a first-class (?) man, what's the matter with sending Dr. S. Hall Young? He does not seem to be doing much of anything to earn his \$3000.00 salary. He is one of the over-head charges of the Home Board who really is not needed, in my opinion. There may be more or less criticism of the Board on account of the over-head charges being increased so largely, and the men we have gotten are not men who will get us any money. What we need is someone who will go out in the field and in the Synod and raise funds, and as Dr. Young has such a high reputation for doing that kind of work, they might start in with him.

As I understand it, Dr. Patterson's salary is being paid by our Board, but he is doing New Era work.

Well, I have given you my grouch, and I hope things will come out fine in the final round-up in March, but we need all of our men at home in our own work and not have them chasing around the country.

With very best wishes for the New Year,
I am

Sincerely yours,



JAG/P

January 5, 1921.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Gould:

Your letter is just here and I think you decided wisely in regard to the Metlakatla trip. Dr. Dixon is away just now and when he comes home I will take up your suggestion of sending Dr. Keiler in your place. My personal feeling, however, is that it is not necessary for anybody to go there just yet.

Dr. Condit's last letter, and some letters from Mr. Marsden, indicate that the Presbyterian Church there is not making any effort to seize the property of the Duncan people, so I think we can let that rest at least until you hear from us again.

In regard to a successor to Dr. Spence, let me say confidentially that Mr. Lopp was to see me last week and suggested that if we could get a physician to go there, whose wife could take charge of the school, it would solve the problem for both the Board of Education and ourselves. As I wrote you before I would rather have a man from the Pacific Coast if I could get him than from any other part of the country. Will you please keep your eye open for a man whose wife can take charge of the school.

A nurse has been commended to me by the name of Gibson, who has had large experience in Alaska, and whom Dr. Condit knows. I have written him asking him his advice in regard to getting her to go up to look after that end of it.

I agree with you in regard to Eide. I wish he were as good as his wife. I suspect he will be pretty hard to handle for anybody, but if we get the right kind of a doctor to go up there he ought to keep Eide in place and make him useful. It seems to me now that the way is open to get the whole mission work on a new basis.

With best wishes for the new year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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January 11, 1921.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Gould:

Mr. Lopp has been in the office and discussed pretty fully with us the situation at Point Barrow, as I wrote you before. His opinion when he was here was that for this year we would have to depend on the Liebes Company to get our stuff up there. I do not know how much stuff we will really need, but Dr. Condit informed himself on that, as I understand, when he was there. My feeling is that Dr. Condit had better come to Seattle and possibly go on to San Francisco to take up the whole matter and fix it. Somebody has to be responsible for him and it ought to be the superintendent in Alaska.

On inquiry of Mr. Banks I find that Captain and Mrs. Pedersen had promised to return to the Board's treasury at the end of January \$675. This does not let us out, but it is a good deal better than nothing.

I went over with Mr. Lopp when he was here the store situation at Barrow. It seems that the Bureau of Education conducts a store there as well as the Liebes Company, and they are competitors. Some competition there between them is a good thing for our work, inasmuch as it keeps what we have to buy from them down to a reasonable price.

I wrote you, I think, about Mr. Lopp's suggestion that if we could get a physician whose wife can teach, he will appoint her to Dr. Cram's place? If you get track of any one let me know.

In regard to Mr. Keeler I understand he is not coming. I agree with you that it is too far to bring men excepting under special circumstances, and of course Dr. King ought to have asked the consent of your committee. However, he is new in the work and has some things to learn yet. I will see that hereafter he makes his requests in the regular way.

It is true that the Synod of Pennsylvania at one time shut the representatives of our Board out, but now all of their pulpits are wide open and with the cordial endorsement and support of the self-supporting committees. Dr. King has planned a pretty effective campaign in four synods, namely, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Illinois, and possibly also Ohio if we can get the men. His plan of campaign is to send about seven teams into each of these synods, for a week or two, speaking at just as many churches as can possibly be arranged for them. For example, in Pennsylvania one hundred of the best churches are open to his committees; also in New York. A smaller number are open in New Jersey which is not so large. I am going to risk the doctor's wrath again and give myself up to it as much as my strength will allow.

Dr. Hall Young is out now speaking and will be at it every day until

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the 1st of April. Furthermore, he brings home the bacon when it comes to getting after the churches for money. The poor man has been quite sick recently and I doubt whether or not he ought to start out, but he is on his way.

The reason men in Mr. Keeler's position are being used is due to my conviction that the Home Board does not use its missionaries and its superintendents from the far West enough in these strong Eastern churches. The Foreign Board is all the time having foreign missionaries speak to them. We have not done this because we did not want to pull the men out of their jobs. But I believe the time has come when we have got to do it to enlighten the East on the real need of the West. This was why Dr. King was so anxious to have Mr. Keeler. However, we can arrange it in another year just as well.

I wish you would have in mind also some home missionaries in the lumber camps, or otherwise, in Washington, who are effective speakers and can help us in like campaigns next year.

In regard to Dr. Patterson, we are paying much less than half his salary -- two-sevenths only to be exact -- while he is giving us more than half his time. The New Era pays five-sevenths of his salary for his service in directing their treasury. He and Dr. King are planning the campaign described above together.

With warm regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
156 - 5th Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Marquis:-

Your favor of January 5th was the best news I have had in a long while about the Home Mission work in Alaska. I think it is possible there will be no necessity for either me or Mr. Keeler to go to Metlakatla. I wish to say in this connection, that at the present time the weather is very rough and the service not very good to Alaska, and it is not adviseable to take any trip there that can be avoided at the present time. However, whatever you wish me to do, I shall be glad to help all I can in the matter.

Your item in regard to Mr. Lopp is what especially interests me and is especially gratifying; that he would like to have us get a physician for Barrow and his wife could take care of the School there, which would help very materially in all this work. I was sure Mr. Lopp would want to do anything he could to make it easy for our Board and make it pleasant as well. As to sending another nurse up there, don't make any arrangements to do that before she has to go. We have fully six months before she has to be in Seattle, and I am not sure that we will need an additional nurse while Mrs. Aidie is there, as she is a graduate nurse, and I do not think they need two up there. But I am willing to leave this to Mr. Lopp in case he feels they need another nurse up there. I would not like to take Mr. Condit's word for anyone to go there, for the reason that he is interested in sending some personal friend of his, and the main thing she might rely on is the fact that she had been in Alaska before, so I would thank you to leave the question of a nurse open until I see you at the April meeting of the Board. Which-ever meeting is the best for me to come to, March or April, I will attend, but I have an idea the April meeting is the more important. You might advise which you think would be the better one for me to attend.

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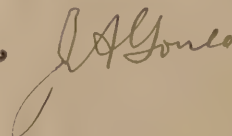
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As for getting a man out here, we have two or three men, able physicians, to whom this work might appeal, and both of these physicians, if they could be reached, have very talented wives who are good Church workers and could do the work required by the Board of Education. I will take this matter up immediately to see if there is any possibility of getting them. I rather think the question of salary will enter largely into making the arrangements, but I will make no arrangements to get anyone or pay any salary until you have approved of it, as you are more familiar with the needs there and the price you wish to pay than I am myself. I have no fear of Aidie with a good doctor in charge of all the work there and with the power to "fire" Aidie if he does not do the work, but we need Aidie there as janitor for the Hospital. In any event, Aidie has been warned and told and written time after time that he was entirely under control of whoever had charge of the Hospital, and Mr. Brown is in charge there now, so I think we will come out all right in the end. I will see Mr. Lopp as soon as he gets back, and what he told you is simply in line with what he told me, and I am so glad that you got him to commit himself while there, and I see by the action of Congress that we are liable to have more money to spend this year than ever before, and it might be possible that we can turn this Hospital over finally to the U.S. Government, who should take care of that work in Alaska.

Sincerely yours,



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Seattle, Jan. 17, 1921.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
156 - 5th Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

My Dear Dr. Marquis:-

I have your favor of the 11th inst, and it is very encouraging and one that I am mighty glad to get from you. I am especially delighted with Mr. Lopp's decision to help us all he can. Now, as for us getting anyone out here to go to Pt. Barrow, I believe we can get them, but do not depend upon us. If we do not get someone before you do, you make your arrangements accordingly, and before I make any arrangements with anyone, of course, it will be sent to you for confirmation. We have some little time in which to make this appointment, and I am bringing the matter before our field workers and Presbytery, for a man and his wife to go to Barrow.

The store situation at Barrow is much better than I thought, as I never knew the Board of Education maintained a store there in competition with the Liebes Co. I am rather of the opinion that it would be well to send Mr. Condit to Seattle and on down to San Francisco to make the arrangements with the Liebes Co. to send the stuff by them to Pt. Barrow, and I suppose this ought to be done soon, as they get their boats ready to go on a long whaling expedition into the Bearing Sea, about April or earlier. Anything I can do to help Condit, you may count on me to do.

Rev. A. B. Keeler showed me a letter from Rev. W. R. King this morning, enclosing him passes to Pennsylvania and return, and also his expense money. I think this is one of the finest things, to bring some of our men out there and listen to the stories of the West. Mr. Keeler is able to tell a good story, and one of them will bring the money. Mr. S. E. P. White, the lumber camp worker being supported by the Youngstown Church, also received a letter, wanting him to go East, and visit this Church as well as any other Churches Mr. King had arranged for, and Mr. White is a fine man, a good preacher and can tell his story convincingly and well, and it will be a fine thing toward starting the Home Mission work in the Synod of Ohio or any other Synod where he may go.,

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You know, Dr., I remember that at different times, the strong, self supporting Synods objected to the Home Board sending other men into their fields. In fact, last year Mr. Keeler went into a couple of churches in New York, and they informed him at the beginning that no collections could be taken, and he was very much disappointed, as he believed he could have raised quite a sum of money for our work.

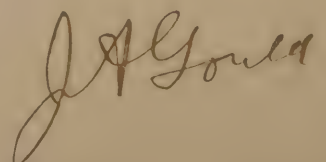
By giving us a little time, we have several good, strong men for next year, but I am sure that you will like the work of Rev. Keeler and Mr. White. We have one lumber camp worker who has a very peculiar story to tell and a very religious one as well. He is Dick Ferrell in Spokane. However, I was assured that he was going East too, but would go to Chicago first under Timothy Stone. He came from that Church, and they, no doubt, have the first call on him, but he has a story that would take in any Church. It is very abrupt and very convincing. Dr. Montgomery can tell you about Dick Ferrell.

But keep on with the good work of getting ~~our~~ good men in the self-supporting Synods of the East, and Mr. King has done a good job if he is responsible for this permission.

You can advise me when you send Mr. Condit through to Seattle and San Francisco. I rather think he ought to be given plenty of time to go to San Francisco to figure out all the things you want done at Pt. Barrow.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



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Seattle, Jan. 24, 1921

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.
New York.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

I received this morning letter from Mrs. Eide and Mr. Eide under date of Oct. 31. They show that you have the original of these letters. It appears that Dr. Spence left there very suddenly without letting anybody there know anything about it and they are taking care of the work there in good shape at the present time. I am much interested in Mrs. Eide's letter as she is one upon whom you can rely as to what she says. I have not as yet received letter from Mr. Brown but expect one in the next day or two. According to the letters from the Eides they are moving along very nicely with building the hospital there and on Oct. 31st they expected to have the furnace working all right in the next couple of days.

I send you some clippings in this letter about the Hospital and about the Schooner "Olga". It appears to be that the Schooner "Olga" is out of commission this coming year to go to Alaska as I rather believe she is ~~being~~ sunk, -anyway I am not in favor of doing business with the boat.

Keely
We are sending Mr. Keeler and Mr. White east this week and turning them over to Dr. King to use the best way possible and I believe that both of them will make a good showing for themselves and for the work. At our Presbytry, Rev. L. Henry Lewis, Rev. J. Robinson, Rev. J. A. Ainslie were the delegates elected to the assembly. Dr. Ainslie is a lumber camp worker, a fine fellow and has a story to tell. He was in our church one Sunday and very acceptably told his lumber camp experience and with great effect. You could use him while he is at the general assembly, before or after, to good effect, and you would not be disappointed in him. In fact, if you would bear it in mind, he would be a very able man to present the cause of the lumber camp workers at the general assembly or at one of the popular meetings of the Assembly. In fact he would be a good man for Dr. King to use in his canvass in the east.

I am writing you under separate cover about the Alaska work, as obtained from Mr. Lopp, who I had a long conference with Saturday.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely yours,

J. A. Gould

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Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.
New York.

Dear Dr. Marquis:

In my conference with Mr. Lopp today, he tells me that they would be glad to turn over the Barrow work and get the government to pay for the Doctor, and we to pay the lady teacher there and have absolute control over the work there; or we could, if we preferred, we could take the Doctor and they would pay the lady teacher. And he is quite anxious that we try and get the Doctor as soon as possible. At the present time I have been unable to get the promise of any Doctor from here; we may be able later on. I am fearful that Dr. Greist, as soon as he learns that we have a vacancy up there will want to go there himself. Of course, that all depends on you people, and will depend also largely on the work he is doing.

As to the Libes & Co. sending our supplies on their boat from San Francisco, Mr. Lopp tells me that he is putting it up to them and they have partially to send a boat through Seattle and charge \$45. per ton which is very much less than has been offered. Furthermore, in my opinion it would be much better to ship from Seattle, than San Francisco. It is right under our eyes here and we will know all that is being done if it goes from Seattle. I was intending to write to Libes & Co. by this mail, ask them for information, not that I had authority but that I lived in Seattle and represented the Board last year, and would like to know the best that could be done this year; and that we desired to ship the goods by their boat right through to Pt. Barroes. We will also need to make arrangements about coal; but we have no means of knowing how much will be needed but I am in hopes of getting this information from Eide long before the boat leaves here.

As to Metlakatla; Mr. Lopp who is familiar with that work there and in whom I have the utmost confidence, and who is willing to work with us, tells me that Mr. Marsden should keep his salary, because you could hardly make an exception of him without making exceptions to other men in Alaska. He tells me Marsden is doing a good work at that point and has a large audience every Sunday; and furthermore, we could not very well go back on the Presbytery that ordered a church to be organized there.

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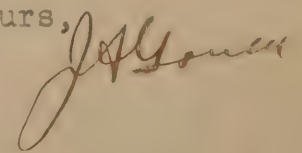
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As to the church building at Metlakatla, I had Mr. Keeler go with me and talk to Lopp about the outlook there and the prospects, and Mr. Keeler is on his way east on the teams that are canvassing the four central states and he will see the Board of Church election and make arrangements for a church building for Marsden and his congregation. If we could get the money from the Board of Church Election, say \$2000. to build a sufficient church building for this work, with what help the natives could give, that would solve the whole matter and straighten out the troubles there. Mr. Lopp does not have much use for the Duncan outfit, who is trying to disturb the new church at that point. Mr. Lopp believes in Marsden; says he is the best man we have there, and Mr. Lopp as a final word, says that Marsden is entitled to help, if anyone needs help in Alaska Territory. On the side, and confidentially, the Alaska work has not done much in the last few years and has not been helped much by long distance letters. Now this is not from Mr. Lopp, but while he thinks Condit is a fine fellow and all that, still the evidence is against Mr. Condit for the reason they tell me, in all Alaska there is only 1100 members; and we ought to have somebody or something done that will put Alaska on the map again and we can't do it with S. Hall Young, and we have not done it with Dr. Condit. There is plenty of work up in Alaska and we should have someone there to see it is done. The trouble with Dr. Condit is also that he is so jealous when anyone interferes with his work that a lot of good work could be done that is not done by Condit. Possibly he will wake up to the occasion and be able to do better work hereafter than he has in the past. But it is a fact that there are only 1100 members in all Alaska, there is something radically wrong. It may be that my information as to 1100 members only refers to the native members; because it does not seem reasonable that we haven't more than 1100 members there. I believe this year we can formulate some plan that will bring results in Alaska more than ever has been done before.

I will write you further as soon as I get any more information from Barrows.

Very sincerely yours,



Jan. 24, 1921

Libes & Company,
San Francisco, Cal.

Gentlemen:

You of course are aware by the amount of checks I paid and the Board of Home Missions, for your benefit, that we are building a hospital at Pt. Barrows, and this coming year we expect to send quite a little amount of groceries and coal from the outside to Pt. Barrows and also to Cape Prince of Wales. We desire to send these groceries and supplies principally from Seattle. Could we make arrangements for you to come in to Seattle and take our supplies and a good share of our coal from British Columbia. We possibly might have 200 Tons altogether of coal and supplies and it is much better for us to ship from Seattle than San Francisco. And how much per ton would you want us to pay? We have had a very fair offer already for this season's work, but we prefer to do business with you people because we were highly pleased to get your boats to take the coal and other material from Teller to Pt. Barrows.

If you will advise me as to this, we will undertake to make the requisition for the coal and other supplies from Seattle, and we would want to send this at the same time the Alaska Bureau of Education send theirs. We aim to work in harmony with the Bureau of Education and ship at the same time they do. I shall be pleased to hear from you will immediately consult with the New York Board, if they have not already made any arrangements, and advise you later.

I am sincerely yours,

Copy for Dr. Margus

J. H. H.

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Seattle, January 26th 1921.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My Dear Dr. Marquis:

Enclosed herewith you will find original letters just received by me, from Mr. Brown and Mrs. Eide, Pt. Barrow.

Mr. Eide sent you the original of his letter and a copy to me.

I am more than rejoiced to hear from Mr. Brown, who speaks a good word for both Mr. and Mrs. Eide. He bears out my contention that Eide will come through all right. You can rely upon everything in Mr. Brown's letter as being absolutely correct.

I feel considerably relieved at getting these letters.

I enclose two bills, one of \$ 52.00 to the trader's store and one for \$ 102.05 to the Barrow native's store. I would suggest that you have Mr. Banks send a check for each of these to Mr. Brown and he will attend to it.

I am writing to both Brown and Eide to get all the data I can relative to supplies needed for this year and this will, no doubt, supplement the data you now have. We can compare them when I am in New York in April, provided that I hear from them by that time.

The steam schooner "OLGA" has finally gotten into an Alaskan port. She left ^{last fall} some thirty tons of coal at Teller and there

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must be quite a lot of other supplies left along the way.

I will undertake to find out where they are at the present time.

I am very glad that everything is going along so nicely and that we got a man of Mr. Brown's type and ability to represent us at Barrow.

I have a copy of Mr. Brown's letter so you may keep the original enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

JAG:G

Encl.

P.S. I am enclosing a copy of Brown's letter
J. A. Gould

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Seattle, February 8/1921.

Rev. John Marquis, D.D.
156 Fifth Ave.
New York. N.Y.

Dear Dr. Marquis,

Dr. Condit has not yet arrived from the North, so I have been unable to confer with him up to the present time, but I am expecting him most any day.

I have taken up the Pt. Barrow matter with Mr. Lopp, and he gives me a new version of the Pt. Barrow business. He tells me that if he had Mr. Brown to look after the Pt. Barrow that we would not need anybody else up there at Barrow. He says he is such a level headed man that he would attend to it in great shape and that all the natives there just worship Mr. Brown. This evidence comes from Mr. McGuire, I think he said his name is, who has been in that country and in every house at Pt. Barrow. He also put up the question to me, whether we could get Mr. Brown to stay there another year to build a School Building at a sub-station of Barrow, which is five or six miles from Pt. Barrow. He said he believes that they would have him build a School House there and have him take charge of the whole matter there. He does not know but what Mr. Eide might do good work. This comes from the Government Inspector that was up through there last Fall.

I also saw some letters, a copy of which he sent to you, from Mr. Cram, which speak very highly of Mr. Brown.

We have been unable to get any doctor here to go North. It is suggested by Mr. Cram that if we get some young man who is just out of school, or an older man who is getting along to be retired, that would be the better plan to get him to go out there.

Mr. Lopp has an idea that it might be the Government would take care of the Doctor, if we took care of the rest of the work at Barrow. All this is kind of gossip between Mr. Lopp and myself, but it shows that his heart is all right and also the feeling up at Barrow. The word we got from Pt. Barrow is that the natives there just worship Mr. & Mrs. Brown. It appears that Mrs. Brown is related to Dr. Spear of the Foreign ~~Land~~ and is a very talented and earnest Christian woman. They all speak a good word for Eide. The only thing they are afraid of is that we will get a

"big head" but I hardly believe he will while Mr. Brown is there.

If you can get a Doctor at some of the Medical Schools in the East, it might be well to secure one to go up there. Under ordinary circumstances with all the medicine that has been sent up there they would not need a Doctor very badly unless some accident should befall some of the natives up there.

I will be at the Board Meeting in New York in March, and we can talk the matter over.

Mr. Lopp is not much impressed with Liebes & Company's offer. He thinks maybe the best way to do is to accept our offer to take what stuff we want up there, but they are interested in a country store. The natives have got a store of their own if only they could get enough to finance.

If anything unusual turns up, I will advise you.

I am, very truly yours,

*The Government is getting a boat for the
Alaska work for Mr. Hoff but not in time to help
us much this year* J. H. Goussier

P.S.

In regard to the work on St. Lawrence Island that Dr. Condit seemed to be so set in his heart upon, Mr. Lopp tells me there are about 250 people altogether on the Island, that they have a teacher there that is doing good work and able to take care of the work, and that he would not want to interfere with any of the arrangements made by our Board, so it appears to me that it is not wise at the present time to go into the St. Lawrence Island to do any work, until things brighten up some.

February 14, 1921.

Mr. J. A. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Gould:

I am glad to have your letter of January 11th. We have been hoping very strongly that you would find a doctor on the Pacific Coast who would take charge of the mission at Point Barrow and whose wife could manage the school. We are also making our inquiries here as best we can. We have some fair-looking prospects on hand, but as I said before I prefer a Pacific Coast man.

The letters you enclosed from Brown and Eide are fine and I have just written Mr. Brown a letter telling him how deeply the Board appreciates his holding things together at Barrow this winter. I am writing to the Eides.

I have a fine letter from Dr. Greist which shows that he is making good, at least the account he gives of himself is very encouraging. It may be that the old fellow has found his place after all. At any rate he seems thoroughly happy in looking after those people and is busy both as minister and physician. I have also written him patting him on the back and telling him as long as he makes good our Board will stand behind him.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely but truly yours,

JAMES

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Apr. 6/23

Dr. John A. Marquis

156 Fifth Ave.

New York.

My Dear Dr. Marquis

I have just read the letter that you sent to Gene which he and myself were highly pleased to get.

I am feeling much better than I did a short time ago, though I am far from well yet. My blood pressure ran up to 240 but the last time I was examined it was down to 212. On the advice of my doctors I have laid aside all business and church affairs for the time being but the doctors assure me that if I keep quiet and rest I will regain my health.

I am very much delighted to know that my son Gene is to be a member of the new Board and in that way I can still keep in touch with the work.

I may give you a call next Fall as I am planning on going to Florida for the Winter and may go Via New York.

I have had many pleasant meetings with the Board of Home Missions and it is with deep regret that I lay down the work but I am sure Gene will do it much better Than I have done.

Remember me to all the members of the Board and with best wishes to yourself

I am yours Sincerely

J. A. Gould

May 29, 1923.

Mr. Gene C. Gould,
Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Gould:

This will introduce Miss Ella M. Smith, who is Mr. Banks' assistant in the Treasurer's office. She is on her way to Alaska, and I am sure that you will want to meet her and know her.

I am also giving her a letter to my sister, Mrs. Charles F. Hubbard.

Any courtesy you may be able to give Miss Smith on her vacation trip will be gratefully appreciated by all of us.

Very sincerely yours,

July 6, 1923.

Mr. Gene C. Gould,
634 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Gould:

At the last meeting of the Board of Home Missions the enclosed minute relative to the death of your father was unanimously adopted by the Board and spread on its records. I was also asked to convey to you and his wife and all of the family the sincere sympathy of all of the members of the Board which he served so long and faithfully.

Very sincerely yours

JAM:MEL.

Enclosure.

Filed - July 23

The Board of Home Missions has learned with great sorrow of the death on June tenth, 1923, of its beloved associate and devoted fellow-servant, Mr. Joel A. Gould.

Mr. Gould was elected to the membership of the Board by the General Assembly of 1914. He had long been associated with the home mission work of the Synod of Washington and the Presbytery of Seattle. The home mission needs of the great Northwest and of Alaska had been particularly on his mind and heart. He has been a wise counselor in all matters affecting these as well as other interests of the Board's work.

During the last few years Mr. Gould has rendered invaluable service to the Board in the conduct of its Alaskan missions, securing and forwarding necessary supplies and acting as the Board's agent in Seattle in many important transactions. When the Hospital at Point Barrow was erected Mr. Gould gave unsparingly of his time and attention to this enterprise looking after practically all the details from the time the building was projected until the materials for it were packed on the boat at Seattle en route to Barrow. This entailed a large amount of work and was a labor of love efficiently and satisfactorily rendered. Without this cooperation the Board would have found this particular task almost impossibly difficult of performance.

The Board desires, therefore, in its minutes to make affectionate and sincere acknowledgment of its indebtedness to Mr. Gould and of the personal regard in which he was held by all of his fellow members.

The Board also extends its heartfelt sympathy to the family of Mr. Gould and mourns with them the mutual loss both have suffered in his removal.

Adopted by Board of Home Missions
June 14th, 1923.

December 27, 1923.

Mr. Gene C. Gould,
824 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Gould:

Next year Dr. Griest is entitled to a year's furlough and will come out from Point Barrow. Dr. C. A. Thompson of Port Townsend, your state, has applied for Dr. Greist's place. The Methodist missionary at Nome, Rev. W. F. Baldwin, writes me a very enthusiastic letter about him. However, before commissioning him I would like to have your judgment of his fitness. You know the type of man needed at that distant point. He ought to have good sense, be agreeable and easy to work with, a good physician and above all a truly devoted Christian missionary. He ought also to have some business capacity so as to take care of the accounts of the mission and keep things running smoothly.

As you know, there are always some items of repair about the hospital, the church and the manse to be attended to and if Dr. Thompson has some mechanical skill, all the better. Dr. Greist has been quite efficient in making such repairs when needed.

The hospital is lighted with a Delco system and if Dr. Thompson does not already understand it he ought to get in touch with a plant having it and learn about it.

If you can some time during the next two or three months get in touch with Dr. Thompson and size him up, I wish you would. If necessary the Board will pay his expenses to come to Seattle and see you. I have thought, however, that you might be in the neighborhood of Port Townsend or find out from him whether he is to be in Seattle and ask him to see you.

With best wishes for you and yours for the new year,
I am

Very sincerely yours

JAM:MEL.

MR. GENE C. GOULD

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January 4th, 1924.

Rev. John A. Marquis,

156 - 5th Avenue,

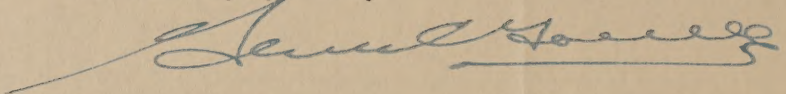
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Doctor Marquis:--

I am in receipt of yours of December
27th relative to Dr. C. A. Thompson of Port Townsend.
I will endeavor to do some investigating and will report
to you the results thereof just as soon as possible.

With all good wishes for you and yours
for 1924, I am,

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gene C. Gould", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

GCG:G

JAN 30 1924

MR. GENE C. GOULD
624 LEARY BUILDING
SEATTLE, WN.

January 25th, 1924.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,
156 - Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Doctor Marquis:--

Referring to your letter of December 27th, 1923, relative to the application of Dr. C. A. Thompson of Port Townsend for Dr. Greist's place at Barrow, I beg to advise you that I made a trip to Port Townsend to make some inquiries relative to Dr. Thompson.

The result of my investigation leads me to say that I can not recommend Dr. Thompson for this place. The opinion I have formed from the people with whom I talked, is that it would not do at all for him to go to Barrow. The men with whom I conferred gave me the desired information in strict confidence and they are men in whom I have the most implicit faith.

I did not trouble to hunt up Dr. Thompson, as he was not in Port Townsend and it would have taken practically another day to have found him. After the information I received, I did not consider it necessary to see him.

Yours very truly,



GCG:G

January 30, 1924.

Mr. Gene C. Gould,
624 Leary Building,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Gould:

Thanks very much for your letter in regard to Dr. C. A. Thompson. This will end the matter so far as we are concerned. If we had work of this sort done with reference to every one we send to a remote place many mistakes would be avoided.

The reason I wanted to have the information now is that Dr. Greist is entitled to his furlough next summer. If we fail to get a man to take his place we will, of course, have to ask him to remain another year. We will track down some other men here and in case the report is unfavorable we will simply ask Dr. Greist to remain until we do get the right sort of a man. If you run across, or hear of any one in your region you think would fill the bill let us know.

Thanking you again for your interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

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February 7th, 1924.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D. D.,

156 - 5th Avenue,

New York City, N. Y.

My dear Doctor Marquis:--

I would like to suggest that you write to Rev. James Thomson, East 1116 - 36th Avenue, Spokane, giving ~~me~~ *him* all the information you can relative to the duties, salary and qualifications of a man to relieve Dr. Greist this year. Rev. Thomson is in a position to help us in this matter, I think, but he should have very full information so that he can proceed intelligently.

With all good wishes and kindest personal regards,

I am,

Cordially yours,



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